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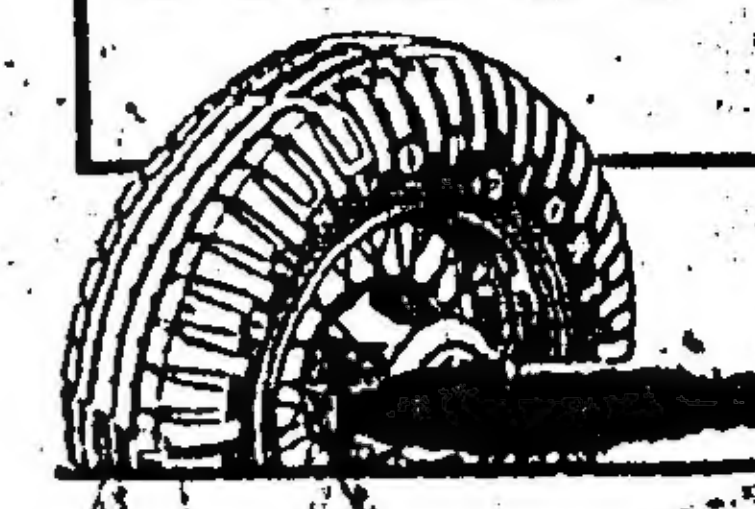
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CHINESE LAUNCH NEW OFFENSIVES

STIMULATED ARMY GAINS NEW GROUND

Honan and Chekiang Scenes of Severe But Successful Fight

Hankow, Apr. 1.

Greatly elated over the successes of their comrades on the Tientsin-Pukow railway front, Chinese forces in other sectors are fighting with new vigour, and it is reported that they have made important gains.

According to a Chinese *communiqué*, the Government's forces in the Peiping-Hankow railway area launched a strong offensive and have already recaptured Tsiaotso, a well-known coal mining centre in North Honan.

At the same time South Yangtze River troops recaptured Szean, a strategic city in North Chekiang, near the border of Anhwei, "after a severe engagement in which the Chinese suffered 3,000 casualties, and the Japanese 4,000."

Important Chinese successes are also reported to have been scored in the Hangchow Bay area, where the guerilla troops have been very active. It is said that they have recaptured Haiyen and Haining.—*Reuter*.

Considers Position In China Obscure

London, Mar. 31.
Asked by Mr. Arthur Henderson (Lab) for a statement on the present military situation in China, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day outlined the fighting in Shanghai and on the Tientsin-Pukow railway, north of Soochow.

In this area, he said, the Chinese appear to be counter-attacking with some success. Reports were conflicting, and the situation was obscure.

Mr. Chamberlain proceeded to say that meanwhile the Japanese advance north of the railway had been stopped, and only minor operations were taking place on this and other fronts.—*Reuter*.

"MOPPING UP" AT TAIERCHWANG

Haichow, April 1.
Having successfully severed Japanese communication lines, the Chinese forces at Taierschwang are resorting to "mopping up" operations. Rings are surrounded isolated units of Japanese troops who are in constant danger of annihilation.

Already many Japanese have been slain. On the night of March 30 the Chinese forces launched a sudden enveloping attack on the Japanese at Taierschwang, north-west of Taierschwang. Driven into the narrow lanes, large numbers of Japanese soldiers were mowed down. At daybreak the entire Japanese detachment was annihilated.

The railway station at Taierschwang was cleared of Japanese troops after (Continued on Page 12.)

Doorn House Denies Former Kaiser III

Doorn, Mar. 31.
A report published abroad that the Kaiser is seriously ill, is declared to be without foundation in a *communiqué* issued by the ex-emperor's household.

A statement observed that the Kaiser had been to the house during the past few days, owing to the illness of his wife, who was about to leave for the Netherlands.—*Reuter*.

Germany's Air Generals Told To Retire

Berlin, Mar. 31.

Five Air Force Generals retired to-day. Their retirement was ordered by Herr Adolf Hitler on February 4, when the German fighting services were re-organised.

All the retiring Generals received a signed photograph of Herr Hitler and Marshal Goering, Premier of Prussia and Minister of Aviation, as well as letters of thanks for their services.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

JAPANESE FAIL TO REPLY TO PROTEST

British Do Not Consider Ugly Incident Closed

Shanghai, Apr. 1.
A Japanese military spokesman announced last evening that the Major Heilop incident in which, it is alleged, a Japanese soldier threatened Major Heilop of the Durham Light Infantry with a revolver, is considered closed.

Enquiries among the British military authorities revealed, however, that not only was the incident not considered closed by the British, but in view of the failure of the Japanese military to reply to the British protest, the British military authorities had sent another representation to the Japanese, and had requested that reply and an apology should be delivered without delay.—*Reuter*.

ROYAL ESTATES FOR WAR VETERANS

Vienna, Mar. 31.

It is learned that the new regime will probably give the Hapsburg estates to the War Veterans Fund.—*United Press*.

Spanish Loyalists' Resistance Melting

MANY DIE IN HANKOW RAIDS



This photograph was rushed to Hongkong by air mail from Hankow. It shows one phase of the air raids of March 27, in which the casualties were mostly women and children. About 100 were killed and 80 injured. Here rescue squads are bringing the victims to a hidden assembly place.

PROGRESS AT ANGLO- ITALIAN PARLEYS

Partial Agreement In Principle

Rome, Mar. 31.

It is understood that an agreement in principle was reached on the questions of Palestine and the Red Sea at to-day's Anglo-Italian conversations.

It is believed that the Suez Canal question has not yet been broached. The experts are meeting again to-morrow, and Lord Perth, British Ambassador, is seeing Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, on April 2.—*Reuter*.

HALIFAX DEFENDS POLICY

London, Mar. 31.

Viscount Halifax, addressing the Foreign Press Association at a luncheon to-day, declared that there was nothing weak in the spirit of toleration, or a desire to avoid war by exhausting every means of diplomacy and offers.

The British nation intended to be strong and to go on building up her strength in order to make her voice more powerfully heard in the Councils of Europe.

It would be a very serious and a very dangerous error to think that there was any fundamental cleavage between the Government and people of Britain on matters of foreign policy.—*Reuter*.

TORNADOES' DEATH ROLL IS MOUNTING

28 Lives Lost In Five States

San Francisco, Mar. 31.

It is reported that relief agencies have been mobilised in five States stricken by tornadoes, which killed 28 people.

Governor Huxman has assumed personal charge in Columbus, Ohio and Kansas where seven are reported dead, and at least 100 injured.

Governor Horner has placed the Illinois National Guard and State police at the disposal of 10 stricken towns.

The little railway town of South Pekin is in ruins. Six are reported to have been killed, and over 60 injured.—*United Press*.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong Radio: *Minco Maru*, *Chikuzang Maru*, *Conde Roulo*, *Africa Maru*, *President Cleveland*, *Jean Laborde*, *Empress Of Asia*, *Potsdam*, *Hongkong*, *Belmore*, *Protos*, *Africa Maru*, *Nellors*, *Sphinx*, *C. G. Paul*, *Douglas*, *Dehag*, and *Newfoundland*.

No Limit To Size of U.S. Battleships

Washington, Mar. 31.
Under the old treaty representing abandonment of the naval treaty limitation of 35,000 tons, Mr. Cordell Hull to-day advised the British and French Embassies that the United States intends to invoke the escalator clause of the London Naval Treaty, which it is understood, means that there will be no limit to the size of battleships.

BRITISH REVENUE BUOYANT

Large Surplus Over Year's Expenditure

London, Mar. 31.

The revenue for the financial year in Britain is shown at £872,580,000, and expenditure at £843,794,000, with a net realised surplus of £28,786,000, the official surplus of £28,480,000 being the excess of actual revenue over estimated revenue.

The realised surplus, in accordance with the Defence Loans Act of 1937, will be available for use in the coming year to meet defence expenditure, which otherwise would have to be met from borrowed monies.

The defence expenditure from the budget revenue is £107,250,000, while a further £64,750,000 has been spent from borrowed monies, making the total defence expenditure £222,000,000, an increase of £76,000,000 over the previous year.—*Reuter*.

BIG JAPANESE RUBBER DEALER FAILS IN S'PORE

London, Mar. 31.

The rubber market received a further shock to-day in the form of the report of the failure of a big Japanese dealer in Singapore. The spot price fell to 5d, but subsequently rallied, partially on bear covering.

Some rubber men believe the tonnage involved has already been absorbed in Singapore as there is no evidence at present of abnormal offerings from there.—*Reuter*.

EXTENT OF FAILURE

Singapore, April 1.
The extent of yesterday's rubber failure is estimated to be £50,000. The amount of rubber involved is believed to be 1,000 tons.—*Reuter*.

TRAVELS CHINA'S MUNITION HIGHWAY

Correspondent Sees Farmers Drilling In Far Interior

Shanghai, Apr. 1.

In a message from Lanchow, dated March 26, a United Press correspondent says that it took him three days' travel by special truck to arrive at Lanchow from Hankow on the very important 500-mile communication link with Russia.

Along the bitter road of exile, which ancient Chinese once trod, the only sign of growth was trees planted by General Tso Chung-tang, 60 years ago, during his famed march to quell the Mohammedan rebellion and to conquer Sinkiang.

Through the eternal and terrifically eroded mountains of Shansi and Kansu, where most of the population lives in hillside caves, and where towns are almost non-existent, war posters and drilling farmers provide a sign of modernity in the vast abyss of timeless and ancient dust.

Five-year old children were singing "Down With Japan", yet there was not the slightest indication of war amid the snow-capped mountains.

The authorities said that 600 trucks were on the road. However, they were suffering from a shortage of spare parts, and the correspondent saw many trucks dismantled in order to use these parts.

INCORRECT REPORTS

It was reported that vast hordes were working on the road, but that is not true. However, there are stones and lines on the road, ready for immediate surfacing.

Freight is very expensive, costing 300 yuan per ton from Sian to Lanchow.

Lanchow is the headquarters of eight war districts, including Shansi, Kansu, Ninghsia and Chinghai, commanded by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, with Tu Hsiang-shang the resident vice-commander. General Tu was Shungshai's Lotion front commander.

Lanchow boasts a very fine air field and military college and is an important base of defence against a possible Japanese thrust from Pao-tow toward Ninghsia, where Ma Hung-kwei is Governor, whose loyalty is said to be as strong as his troops are weak.—*United Press*.

CORPORAL'S CLUB DANCE

The Corporals' Club of the Royal Army Medical Corps will hold its first grand carnival dance at Hotel Cecil on Saturday, April 2, 8.30 p.m. to 11 p.m. There will be novelty dances with prizes and refreshments and His Boys from I.M.S. Suffolk will provide the music.

INSURGENTS BURST INTO TARRAGONA AS DEFENDERS RETIRE

Whole Battalion of British Volunteers Surrenders

Burgos, Mar. 31.

The Insurgents, this evening, entered the Tarragona province near Caseras, according to an official claim, which states that an entire battalion of the International Brigade was captured, all of the men being British, including the commander.—*Reuter*.

DRIVE ACCELERATED

Saragossa, Mar. 31.

General Franco's drive towards the Mediterranean south of the Ebro River suddenly accelerated on the disappearance of opposing forces from what was previously the Loyalists' strongest point.

Insurgent troops, east of Caspe, are expected to reach Tarragona province to-day, while Legionnaires further south, are making headway.

It is claimed that Loyalist attacks on the Madrid and Teruel fronts during the past two days were all repulsed.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

APPEALS FOR RESISTANCE

Barcelona, Mar. 31.

General Compaeny, President of Catalonia, broadcast an appeal to Catalonians to-day to work, fight and resist for victory, and the honour and rights of life in Catalonia.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

NON-INTERVENTION RECOMMENDATION

London, Mar. 31.

The Non-Intervention Sub-Committee to-day agreed to submit to the participating governments the British proposal for compelling the French and Italian views regarding the control of Spanish frontiers, coincident with the withdrawal of volunteers from Spain.—*United Press*.

STOPP RESS

FEROCIOUS ELECTION FIGHTING IN EGYPT

Cairo, Mar. 31.

Reports from the provincial Governors indicate that to-day's elections in Upper Egypt have gone in favour of the Government.

Four people were shot dead at Beirut when rival parties clashed. A taxi driver was killed at Minea and many were injured at Tanta, including 25 policemen.

The worst election rioting was at Tanta, the home town of Nafas Pasha, where 700 of Nafas' supporters smashed a number of shops and damaged the British Consulate. The police made a number of arrests.

The Police Chief of Mansut was shot and knifed in the back while trying to restore order during a faction fight.

Large forces of police and troops have been transferred to Upper Egypt from Lower Egypt where polling takes place on Saturday. Fifty persons were arrested before the election for rioting and violence.

There are 611 candidates, of whom 116 are Government Coalition and 225 Wafd. They are contesting 264 seats.—*Reuter*.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

POLISH DEMANDS IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA

Warsaw, Mar. 31.

It is reported, though unconfirmed, that Poland will shortly make diplomatic representations to Prague regarding the claims of the Polish minorities in Czecho-Slovakia.—*United Press*.

DRESSES
for

Little Women



TO-DAY I want to talk about little women's fashions. Not young girls with slender willowy figures, but the woman of forty-five or so, five feet tall or thereabouts, who has retained the slim lines of youth, or is inclined to be very thin. Your first difficulty is what to look for in a frock to suit your particular type.

Now stand in front of your mirror and see what lines of your figure you wish to emphasize. Where does your figure need fullness or a soft touch? If your neck and

shoulders are firm you can wear an open neckline, but "salt cellar" hollows should be discreetly hidden, and the present high to throat fashions are of material help in this respect.

Then again, jabots are most becoming, ruffles and all the attractive frilleries you find at the lace counter; but watch carefully that you do not cut your height or give a wide effect to the figure.

Floral Prints

You can go happily into print—floral or otherwise, knowing that as you are slim you have a wide choice among the different patternings.

But you do not want to look elderly or to resemble your daughter, so I have chosen styles cut with small godets in the skirt on neat fitting lines. The lingerie vest and loop trimming gives just that right note of interest to the bodice without being fussy.

Many of the new Spring styles have dainty white collars as well as cuffs in pique or organ-die, so keep this in mind when finishing off your dress.

You will quickly appreciate the perennial qualities of the second frock I have selected. With two or three different collars and jabots you will be able to ring the changes on this style and give it an entirely different look.

The particular shaped jabot shown gives an important look to the top part of the figure, while hips are nicely slimmed by comparison.

I take off my hat to
MODERN
FATHERS

says Elizabeth Ewing

PRAM-PUSHING papas were fathers who like taking out a side-splitting joke a generation ago.

Now, on Sunday morning, Daddy, as likely as not, fills his pipe, calls the dog, wheels out the pram and sets off briskly for a stroll with the youngest crowing at him for joy and big sister or brother dancing alongside.

It lets mother and the servants get on with things at home. It lightens their routine if father leads a hand. Besides, he likes these expeditions. He looks forward to them.

DADDY, who is quite an average young Englishman with a profound horror of attracting attention and a full share of masculine self-consciousness over unorthodoxy, comes home boasting gaily of the games they've all invented, the fun they've had feeding the ducks.

It just never crosses his mind that the idea of a man with a pram would have set his mother and her female relations tittering away loudly together. That his father would sooner have turned cart-wheels across the boardroom floor than have been seen taking the family out, would rather have been suspected of fraud in the City than of minding the baby.

The fun father had playing with the children's trains was another heavy jest when we were young.

BUT now Daddy is the first to admit that he really bought that steam engine for his own amusement as much as young Jonathan's. That he's dying to fix up the new signal-box and see if it really sends the train down the branch line to the nursery door.

Fathers have changed in the past 20 years far more than mothers have. The hand that rocks the cradle may nowadays spend quite a lot of the day tapping a typewriter or selling hats or holding the helm of a business.

BUT that revolution isn't half as astonishing as the far less limelight one represented by the pram.

Wearing
Shorts
In Public:
Pro & Con

SHOULD women wear shorts in public? A walk round any beach or golf course in Hongkong during the summer months will provide ample evidence that for 50 per cent. of the women who do appear in public wearing shorts, the answer to the above question should be an uncompromising "No."

About 20 per cent. of us look utterly delectable in well cut shorts and are a joy to behold, and the remaining 30 per cent. are permissible. Incidentally, when speaking of shorts I mean only the pleated or flared kind, as no woman can successfully wear shorts cut like a man's. Our pelvic bones simply are not built for them, although some of us do not seem to realise it.

YOU will sometimes find a woman who has quite good taste over her other clothes going berserk when it comes to shorts, and entirely losing her judgment, to say nothing of her sense of humour. She will consider that she herself looks presentable, and with her next breath will criticize some friend for wearing shorts, quite oblivious of the fact that the friend's figure faults are very similar to her own.

Up to the age of 21 anyone can wear shorts, not that every figure below that age comes into the 20 per cent. utterly delectable class, but simply because the gay insouciance of youth can get away with anything short of murder. After that age, what are the types which should or should not wear shorts in public?

The most obvious ones to rule out first are those with any leg imperfections—knock knees, varicose veins, podgy knees, or legs which are fat above the knee.

It ought not to be necessary to mention these defects at all, as one would think that their owners would be only too anxious to shroud them in the kindly disguise of a skirt.

Yet within the last month I have seen every one of these imperfections unashamedly flaunting itself beneath a pair of shorts, on a certain golf course not five hundred miles from here.

Quite apart from legs, however, the wearing of a garment which ends above the knees has a foreshortening effect and makes other figure faults such as large hips or a heavy bust much more apparent. Very tall women should never wear shorts, as a tall thin woman merely looks a longer stick of misery than ever, and a tall heavily built woman only succeeds in making herself look far more massive than she really is.

AGE needs to be taken into consideration, too, and every woman whose age and hips are over 40 would be well advised to remember Mr. Punch's advice to those contemplating matrimony—don't! Of course the petite type with a young unlined face can go on wearing shorts until she is older than her careworn sister with a wrinkled face, but even so, once over 40 be careful.

Many women will maintain that they wear shorts for their own comfort and convenience and do not care how they look, but they are members of the ostrich class mentioned above who are quite convinced in their own minds that they look fairly well, for really we all care quite a lot how we look.

If ever these good women could hear some of the cruel comments passed behind their backs they would surely rush off home and pack up their shorts straight away for distribution to the poor.

THE above remarks have been written mainly for the guidance of my own sex, but in closing it should be pointed out that many of them are equally applicable to men.

Actually the prizes for the very worst examples of those-who-should-never-wear-shorts must go to the gentlemen with large protruding napes. One can only assume that they take real pride in the size of their waitlines, or they would never have the nerve to accentuate them by appearing in shorts, as that type of figure nearly always goes with ridiculously inadequate little legs.

R. W.

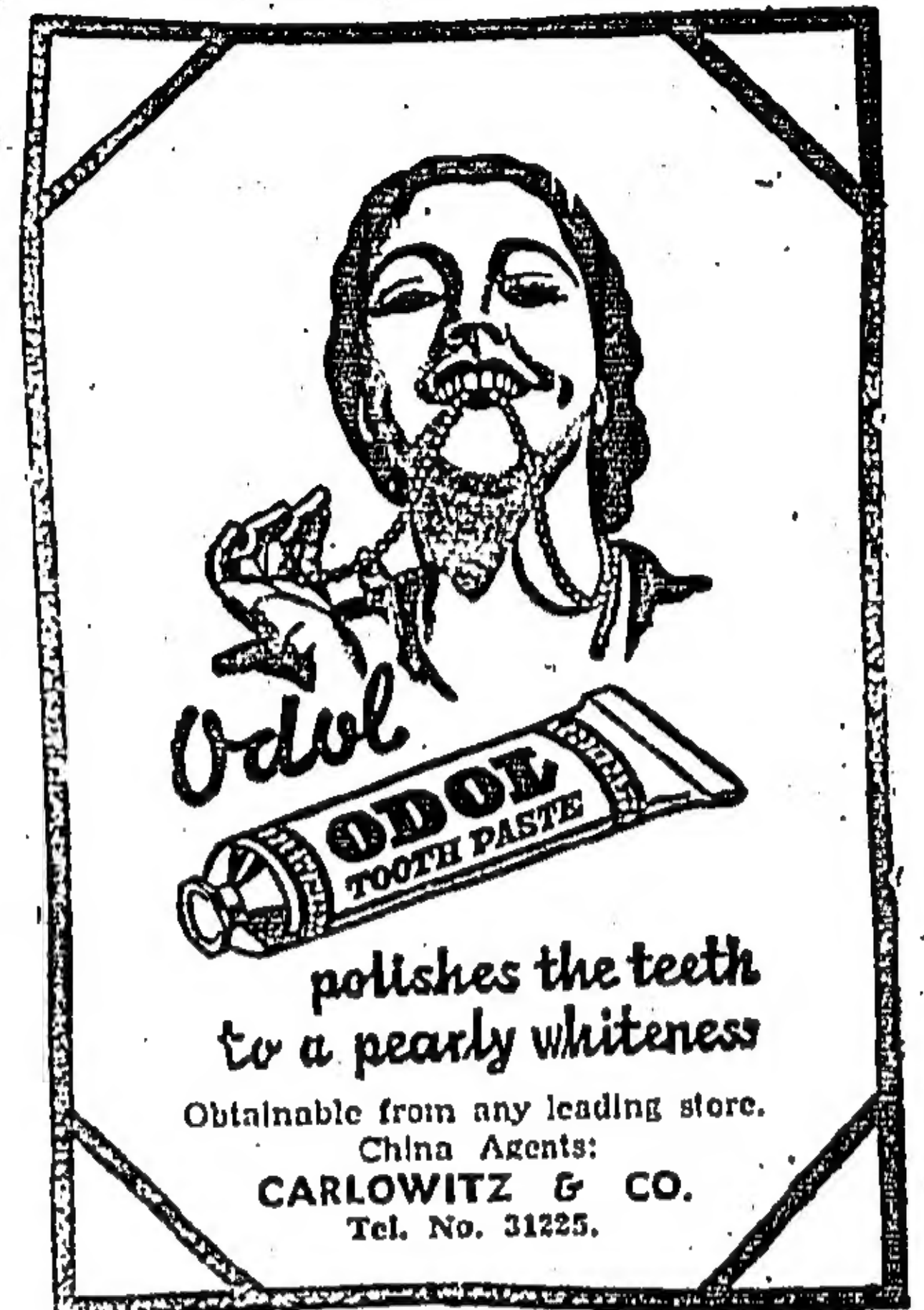
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SOVIET THREAT OF GAS IN WAR

MARSHAL VOROSHILOFF, Commissar for Defence, speaking at a mass meeting here said, "If an enemy spreads gas over country we shall pour bucketsful of gas over them."

"In 1925," he said, "we signed a convention under which bacteriological and chemical war was to be restricted. Unfortunately other countries, and the Fascist countries in particular, have not kept this pledge."

"That is why we cannot limit our chemical corps to the needs of anti-gas defence. We have been compelled to train chemical troops."

When denouncing various "enemies of the people," discovered last year in the higher ranks of the Army and Navy, Marshal Voroshiloff included Adml. Oloff, Commander-in-Chief of the Navy and Vice-Commissar for Defence, who disappeared in the autumn without any official explanation being given.

OFFICERS ROAR APPLAUSE

To-night's meeting was held to celebrate the 20th birthday of the Red Army which falls to-morrow. The Grand Opera House was packed from floor to ceiling. The audience roared their applause at the fiery outbursts of Marshal Voroshiloff.

"The capitalist countries," he declared, "are engaged in a wild armaments race. The flames of war threaten to spread over the world at any moment. The Soviet Union, more than any other State, is exposed to this war danger. We are hated by the Imperialists, and more especially by the Fascist countries, which are ready to drown the Soviet Union in a spoonful of water."

"Their arms are not long enough, and we believe they will never grow long enough to reach over our Soviet frontiers."

"But if the Fascist gods, or any other gods, make their arms and their teeth grow longer, I believe that the Red Army and Red Fleet will tear their teeth before they are able to make use of them. We must be ready for them. If the bourgeois armies are strong, ours must be invincible."

Capetown Women Can Drive

One town where no criticism is heard about women motor drivers is in Capetown. A feature of the list of traffic case convictions there is the almost complete absence of women offenders. In five months in one court only three women appeared.

FOUR CHARMING FLOWER GIRLS AT NAVAL WEDDING LAST WEEK



Down To The Sea In Shorts

THE Admiralty no longer frowns on calves, according to a cruise fashion note in the *London Gazette*. Officers in tropical waters, it is stated, are to wear white shirts—and shorts.

NAVY LEADS WORLD

Britain's 12 Battleships

THE annual report of the fleets of the leading countries shows that while the British Commonwealth of Nations leads in capital ships under age (under 26 years), Japan and Italy have each nearly twice as many submarines as the Commonwealth.

An unusual feature of the report, issued as a Blue-book (Stationery Office, 2s.), is that under the heading of Japan, both in "building" and "projected," are the words "Not known."

Here is a comparison of the strength of the various countries:

Country	Battleships
Britain	12
U.S.A.	12
Japan	9
France	5
Italy, Russia	4

Under the capital ships heading Britain also has three battle cruisers, three monitors, France one battle cruiser; Germany three armoured ships.

Battleships being built are: British Commonwealth, five; United States, two; France, two (and one battle cruiser); Italy, two; Germany, two battleships (and two battle cruisers).

The shorts will be reminiscent of those seen at Wimbledon during the women's tennis tournaments, for, though wide, they will be modestly cut.

"Of white drill," says the *Gazette*, "with a 2 1/4 in. band and two pleats. Two straps in front, with buckles, of white metal, one in. wide. Bottom of shorts to be 26 in. (circumference) and to reach to within three inches of the knee-cap."

The shirts, too, will be tailored with true naval style, with "yoke at back and box pleat. Three buttons, all to button, down the front. Shoulders fitted with holes for shoulder straps as on white tunic."

Officers are to note that white stockings, turnover tops, are to be worn with white shoes, black ditto with black ditto.

Murderer Was Shot While He "Escaped"

Tia Juana, (Mexico). Juan Morales, a private in the Mexican Army, charged with murder and rape in connection with the slaying of Olga Comacho, aged eight, was placed by soldiers in a closed military van and taken to the military cemetery, where he was dragged out and allowed to "escape."

Federal police then killed Morales in a valley of shots under the "Law of Fugitive."

THESE FOUR CHARMING young flower girls — the Misses Daphne Purry, Janet Cleave, Sue Dibbey and Nancy Dibbey, added a picturesque touch to the wedding last week of Surg. Lt. Cdr. S. J. Wheeler, R.N. and Miss Daphne Fullbrook. — Staff Photographer.

THEY LIKE SPINACH!

New York.

Spinach and Buck Jones, turkey and airplanes, football and Sonja Henie—These are some of the favourites of boys and girls between the ages of six and 16, results of a survey by the boys' athletic league revealed.

The organisation made the study to find out what children prefer in foods, education, sports, radio, motion pictures and social life so that free-time activities, meals and entertainment which youngsters enjoy and are interested in could be planned.

More than 22,400 boys and girls filled out forms containing the following 12 questions:

1. Do you want to go to college?
2. What is your favorite meal?
3. What is your favourite dessert?
4. What is your favourite fruit?
5. What is your favourite vegetable?
6. What is your favourite sport?
7. Who is your favourite athlete?
8. Whose company do you like best: Boys' or Girls'?
9. Which would you rather do: Read a book, go to the movies or listen to the radio?
10. Who is your favourite movie star?
11. Who is your favourite radio star?
12. How would you prefer to travel: By plane, train or bus?

BUCK JONES "TOPS"

That rootin', tootin' star of the westerns, Buck Jones, was the favourite with the boys while Shirley Temple is the big attraction for girls. Robert Taylor, the nation's number one heart throb, was third on the boys' list but he could make only fifth place on the girls' tabulation.

Corn is the girls' favourite vegetable, closely followed by spinach which led the boys' list. Both classifications named bananas as their best liked fruit.

Hash, of all things, gave turkey a stiff fight for first place in the meat category while steak was a poor fourth after chicken.

Although Joe DiMaggio is the boys' favourite athlete, baseball could only make second place after football as their favourite sport. Five other baseball players—Babe Ruth, Mel Ott, Carl Hubbell, Lefty Gomez and Lou Gehrig—trailed the Yankee outfielder while only one football player, Clint Brauk, made the list.

ENJOYS A SMOKE

Sonja Henie is tops as an athlete with the girls closely followed by Jack Dempsey.

To the question, "Whose company do you like best?" 87 per cent of the boys said they liked boys' company while 59 per cent of the girls preferred by the companionship of their own sex.

Joe Penner and Eddie Cantor are first and second respectively on both lists for radio honours. The best Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy could do was 12th place on both lists.

Both girls and boys want to go to college, voted ice cream their favourite desert, said they would rather go to the movies than listen to the radio or read a book, and would rather travel by airplane than any other form of transportation. — United Press.

10,000 Year-Old Murder Disclosed

Toulouse, Feb. 15.

One of the greatest anthropological discoveries since that of the Neanderthal man has been made in the Dronne valley of southern France. The body, which was found completely intact embedded in an azilian strata of soil is estimated to be ten thousand years old.

A curious part of the discovery was that the prehistoric man had been murdered by one of his fellow cave-dwellers, for a crystal spear-head was found embedded in his spine. Moreover the body was found with its knees doubled to the chin and the entire skeleton bent double upon itself, indicating that the victim had been tied before being buried. This is one of the oldest crimes which anthropologists have been able to reconstruct perfectly from the corpus delicti discovered in its centuries-old grave.

The discovery was made by Dr. and Mrs. Jude de la Rocle while they were carrying out careful digging in the vicinity of an old mill in the Dronne valley. The body was immediately removed in the case of earth surrounding and brought to Professor Vallois of the anthropology department of Toulouse medical school.

Anthropologists regard the skeleton as being one of the most perfect prehistoric pieces yet discovered, being practically intact, including the body's ashes. Each piece is being carefully removed from the mass of earth in which it is entangled, about a square yard in size. The skull is in perfect condition, and is expected to form an important link in the development of the human skull as man developed in intelligence through the ages.

Professor Vallois, commenting on the find, told *United Press* that French anthropologists regard it as extremely important. "It is very unusual for us to have at our disposal the complete skeleton and skull of a prehistoric body, such as this one. Usually we have to reconstruct some missing part by a comparison with the sections we have in our possession. This time we can study the azilian man without any chance of error."

"Another important point is that the skeleton was found imbedded in an untouched layer of azilian. We have therefore been able to confirm by the studies of a series of experts in this field, the exact paleontological age of the skeleton. Moreover, although bone tools are completely lacking in the finds made in the same spot, stone implements are fairly numerous. These tools are characteristic of the Perigord Azilian period slightly different from the Pyrenean Azilian discoveries that have been made."

CONTROVERSY CLARIFIED

"The layer of Azilian soil, more than five feet thick, overlies a layer of Magdalenian. It is imbedded with harpoons of rare beauty. We have found here different hooks and bars, not with a single spear-head, but with a series of bars like a spinal formation. They are without curves and are a completely different type of instrument from what we have heretofore found. The find is therefore of great importance and will give us many details which we have been lacking. Azilian skeletons found in the past have been imperfect."

It is believed that the discovery will help to clarify a controversy that has been going on in anthropological circles for many years. Up to now anthropologists are completely agreed upon seven stages in the paleolithic age-old stone age—man, while a limited number insist that the Azilian period forms an eighth chronological period which must be added to the accepted seven.

These periods mark the progressive development of the culture and physique of man through the entire paleolithic age. These stages of development naturally overlap somewhat and it has been the contention of many anthropologists that the Azilian stage was merely a part of the preceding Magdalenian stage. Many cultures prefer to call these stages in development "cultures" or "industries" rather than "periods"; but it is commonly accepted that as man perfected his tools and his habits through the stone age, his entire cultural and physical level continued to make rapid progress.

The discovery of the latest perfect Azilian man may mean the acceptance of the Azilian period as the last distinct stage of development in the paleolithic age. The skeleton is one of the "youngest" discoveries made of man in the Paleolithic age, the period generally believed to have extended over almost half a million years before the Neolithic or new stone age began. According to anthropologists, man lived almost a million years in these two periods before he finally emerged from a state of savagery, perfected his use of tools, and became the dominating creature of the world. — United Press.



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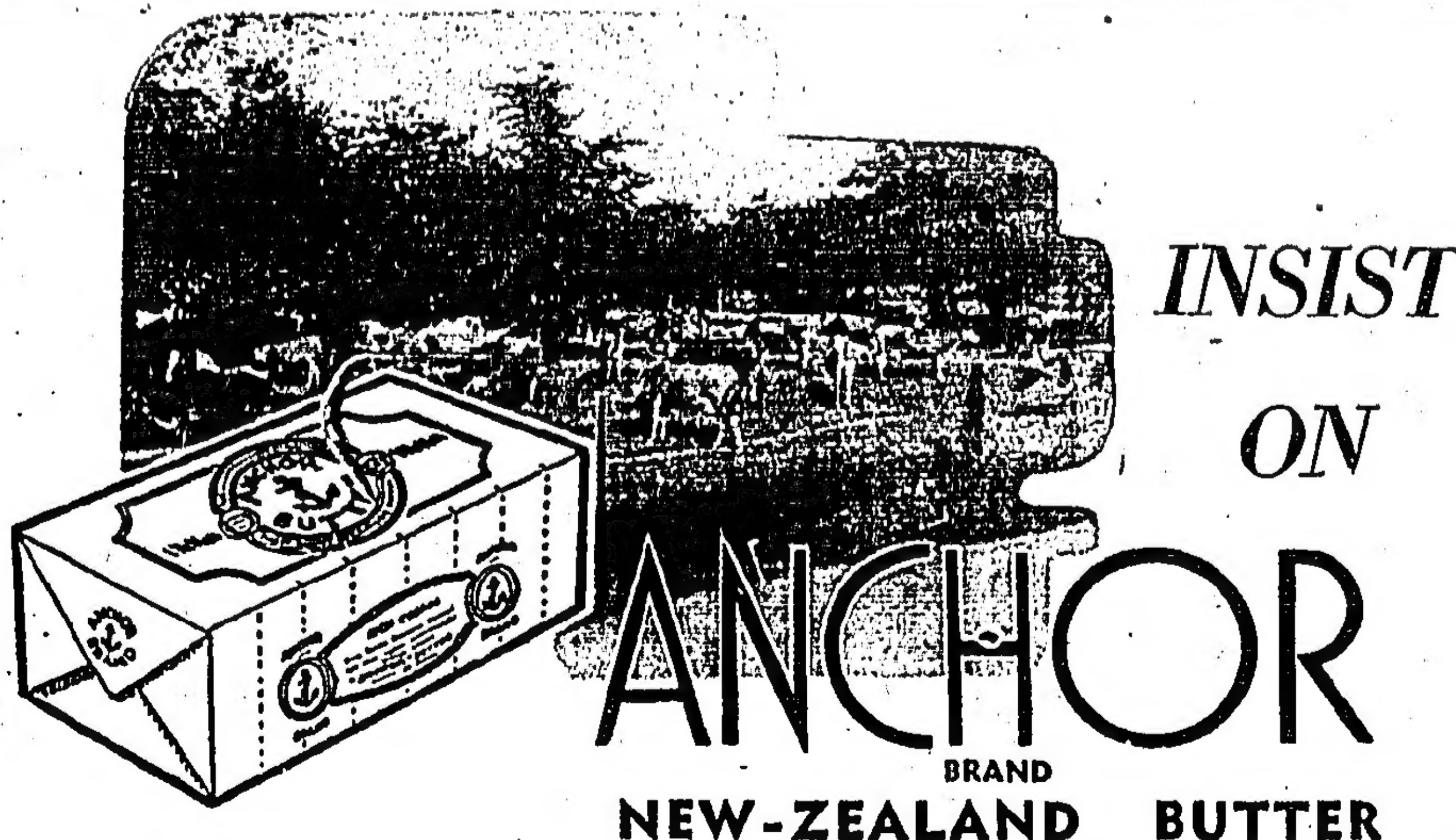
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WORLD IN THE AIR. The 1938 Bridge Olympiad will be held in Hong Kong on Wednesday, April 20th, at 9 p.m. Entries in pairs at \$10 the pair close at noon, April 10th. F. H. Tyson, Hon. Sec., Union Building.

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U.S. Fears To Press Mexico For Payment

Fascists Might Get Into Power If Cardenas Quits

Washington, Mar. 31. Owing to fears that a Fascist regime may supersede in Mexico if President Cardenas is forced out of office, the United States Government is resisting suggestions to intensify pressure on Mexico over the expropriation of the oil companies. Mr. Cordell Hull is confronted with a very delicate situation. On the one hand the United States' rights must be upheld and on the other, the United States Government is determined to encourage a Liberal Government in Latin America, even at the expense of American interests. —Reuter.

STATEMENT CAUSES SURPRISE

Mexico City, Mar. 31. Government officials are surprised by Mr. Cordell Hull's implication that Mexico must pay for lands seized under the agrarian programme as well as for expropriated oil holdings. Economists believe Mexico will be unable to meet the demands with sound currency. At a convention of the New Party of the Mexican Revolution, composed of workers, peasants and soldiers, former Mexican Ambassador, Senor Malera said: "Mr. Cordell Hull recognizes Mexico's right to expropriate the oil companies." He also referred to Mr. Hull's statement demanding adequate compensation for such expropriation. There is no indication, as yet, of President Cardenas' reply to Mr. Hull.

ACUTE DISTRESS

With the country suffering increased industrial distress, the Ministry of Finance has instructed government departments to stop machinery purchases. Delegates of 15,000 Rayon mill workers conferred with the Minister of Labour on the acute situation brought about by lack of business owing to heavy imports and the additional reports of a curtailment in oil operations.

It is reported that President Cardenas has called a special Congress for April 11 to consider legislation for the oil and silver situations. —United Press.

NEW COMPLICATION

Washington, Mar. 31. Increasing concern for a good neighbour policy has spurred Administration officials' efforts to settle the Mexican crisis. Observers forecast increased pressure on Mexico to propose an equitable settlement by simultaneously suspending the registered C.O.D. mail to Mexico. Officials stated that this was a routine measure, due to the fact that Mexico had suspended insurance money-orders being made payable in the United States.

It is claimed, however, that this is not related to the crisis, but observers point out that it is the suspension of another normal service. —United Press.

VATICAN PROTEST OVER MISLEADING VIENNA REPORTS

The Hongkong Catholic Information Bureau states that in view of the wide publicity given to the statements favourable to the Nazis, which were made by Cardinal Innitzer and the Austrian Bishops, and their recommendation to the people to support the union of the German race, the Vatican has called attention to the fact that these statements were issued after guarantees had been given that the rights of God and of

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixteenth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd., will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Queen's Road (Central), Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 13th April, 1938, at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1937, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 6th April to the 13th April, 1938, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
A. ALVES,
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Hongkong, 1st April, 1938.

HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Queen's Road (Central), Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 13th April, 1938, at 12.15 p.m., when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Ordinary Resolution:

"That the Capital of the Company be increased to Five Million Dollars by the creation of Two Million New Shares of the nominal value of \$2 each and that such New Shares be issued at such time or times and on such terms and conditions as the Directors shall in their absolute discretion see fit."

By order of the Board,
A. ALVES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1938.

NOTICE

Please note that as from 1st April, 1938, Jimmy's Kitchen, Kowloon Branch, will be under the personal supervision of A. Landan, better known as JIMMY. Wines will be served with meals.

THE SOUTH CHINA PENIEL HOLINESS MISSION.

Rev. Charles Stalker, noted American evangelist, will speak at Peniel Mission at 90 Portland Street, Yaumatei, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights, at 7.30 p.m. and on Sunday, at 11.30 a.m. He will speak in English and the messages will be interpreted into Chinese. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Mar. 31.		
New York Cotton		
	Opening	Closing
May	8.60/81	8.63/65
July	8.67/68	8.69/69
Oct.	8.71/71	8.71/72
Dec.	8.73/73	8.72/72
Jan. (1939) ..	8.75/75	8.73 N
Mar. (1939) ..	8.79/80	8.83/83
Spot		8.69
The First Notice Day for May Cotton is April 20.		
New York Rubber		
May	10.74/79	10.33/34
July	10.90/94	10.45/50
Sept.	11.10/00	10.60/06
Dec.	11.20/25	10.80/80
Jan.		10.90/90
Sales for the day:—9,280 tons.		
Chicago Wheat		
May	80 3/4/80 3/4	85 1/4/85 1/4
July	82 1/2/82 1/2	81 5/8/81 1/4
Sept.		82 1/8/81 1/4
Monday's Sales:—15,312,000 bushels.		
Chicago Corn		
May	60 3/4/60 3/4	60 3/4/60 3/4
July	61 1/4/61 1/4	61 1/4/61 1/4
Sept.		62 1/4/62 1/4
Winnipeg Wheat		
May ...	124 1/2/124 1/2	120 1/4/120 1/4
July ...	110 1/4/110 1/4	109 1/4/109 1/4
Oct. ...		

The Church would be respected in Austria. An announcement about these guarantees accompanied the other statements in every case, and the Vatican has protested against the omission of reference to them in most of the reports.

Dead Baby In Parcel Sent To Falmouth Hotel Owner

POLICE SEEK MYSTERY PERSON

WHEN a postman offered a heavy parcel to Mr. H. B. Osborn, proprietor of the Imperial Hotel, Falmouth, Cornwall, bearing the address "E. Smith, Station Hotel, Falmouth," he refused it. He had seen a similar parcel at a Bloomsbury hotel a year before.

Each parcel had contained a dead baby. "The parcel a year ago was not sent to my own hotel," Mr. Osborn said. "I saw it when it was delivered to a London hotel in Bernard-street, W.C."

NEAREST HOTEL

"I remembered this when the police told me that the parcel I refused a few days ago contained a dead child."

"It was brought to me because my hotel is the one nearest to the station. There is no 'Station Hotel' in Falmouth."

A doctor who made a post-mortem believes the child was four days old and had died from natural causes.

The body, sent from Liverpool, was wrapped in a piece of dark grey tweed and was in a tin box.

An inquest has been adjourned till March 18.

WAR HERO FINED

ON DRINK CHARGE

A naval officer who, in the words of his solicitor, had "the most distinguished war career anyone could possibly imagine," was fined £50, with £3 18s. costs, at Poole for being under the influence of drink in charge of a car.

He was Commander Charles Euman, Harbourmaster of Poole. His licence was suspended for two years.

His career as told by Mr. C. W. Dickinson, his solicitor, was:

In action on August 12, 1914, in German New Guinea, when he was a member of a landing party; In battle cruiser Australia at Battle of Falkland Islands; Served in "that most dangerous of all services" in the North Sea, commanding four or five "Q" ships and sinking three German submarines;

Member of the party which landed on the Mole at Zeebrugge; Made prisoner, escaped from Germany and rejoined the Navy; Four times thanked by the Admiralty;

Chosen after the war to command the British Soltia on the Rhine; and Sent to Chanak when trouble arose in Turkey, becoming liaison officer between the Navy, Army and Air Force.

Mr. Dickinson pleaded that Euman should not be imprisoned, as he would possibly lose the pension that he had so justly earned.

Superintendent Deacon said that in 1931 Euman was fined £10 for a similar offence.

Clergy Protest At Flogging

While a protest against the infliction of the "cat" on two of the May-fair men concerned in the Hyde Park Hotel jewel robbery was being circulated the other day over the signatures of clergy and social reformers, David Wilmer, one of the sentenced men, was flogged in Wormwood Scrubs prison.

The Home Secretary had refused to alter the flogging sentences. Wilmer had been sentenced to 15 strokes and Harley to 20.

Wilmer's flogging was carried out in the presence of the prison governor, a male nurse, the prison doctor, and a senior warder who counted the strokes as they fell.

Afterwards Wilmer was removed to the prison hospital. "We submit," the signatories to the protest stated, "that the approval that has been widely expressed over these sentences is not due to any belief that society has been made safer but to a deeper emotional satisfaction at the thought of the pain inflicted on these men."

"It is idle to pretend that these sentences can be justified on the grounds of expediency... If the prospect of a seven years' sentence of penal servitude is not sufficient to act as a deterrent to others, a flogging sentence will not be either."

William Powell

New York. William Powell entered hospital recently for a major operation for the removal of an intestinal obstruction. His condition is not serious—he will probably be in hospital for only a fortnight—but he has cancelled a holiday trip to South America. He is 45.

City's Cannon Disappears

Twin Falls, Ida. A statewide search has been ordered for a 300 pound cannon that formerly graced the city park. It was a relic of the Spanish-American war.

ANOTHER BODY

While Liverpool police were investigating the mystery of the Falmouth baby, officers at Bootle, near Liverpool, were inquiring into the discovery of the body of another baby in the corporation destructor.

IT'S ALL NEWS TO HIM

Windsor, Ontario.

William Heatherington returned to civilisation to-day from a one-man gold-seeking expedition in the Arctic.

He had been away eleven years, did not know about the Abyssinian, Spanish and Chinese wars—or that America owed him a £400 bonus for his own part in the great war.

He has returned without gold, without money.

Indian Sought Ganges Water

An Indian witness at the Old Bailey, when told to take the oath, asked for Ganges water. His oath would not be valid, he said, unless he swore by the water of the Sacred River.

There was no Ganges water available at the Old Bailey, and the witness made an affirmation.

The India Office did not know where any Ganges water could be found. Mr. Dutt, assistant to the High Commissioner, said he did not know where any was to be discovered in London.

"Hindus who leave their native land for the first time," he said, "take a small supply with them."

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Mar. 31. S. C. & F. New York correspondent cables:

Stocks: The market is now beginning to show definite resistance, but definite signs are lacking that liquidation has been completed.

Cotton: Prices resist stubbornly at around 8.50 for May. The market is thin, but is technically sound. Out of 7 leading brokers, 4 are bullish and 3 are bearish.

Wheat: Unfavourable factors to-day were easier Winnipeg and European markets and further large private estimates, of the crop. There have been no exports. Sentiment is about evenly divided.

Corn: The situation is unchanged.

Rubber: Prices to-day declined on the news of the failure of a large dealer in Singapore, limited factory output, heavier hedging, cheaper Eastern offerings and threats of labour trouble in the automobile industry.

Hides: Packers' stocks continue to accumulate, while demand is still indifferent.

Sugar: The market is dull and steady. Covering is small and there is no selling pressure.

S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

There is at present little confidence in values. Traders to-day ignored favourable news, including construction awards being higher than for the corresponding period of last year and reports of improved car sales. On the unfavourable side, bank clearings were the second lowest in three and a half years, structural figures were below seasonal and there are indications of the business recession spreading to the South-West and abroad. The troubled French situation was a further unfavourable factor.

Ship-building operations are holding well. The House Committee has rejected the Senate Train Length Bill.

Dow Jones Average Mar. 30 Close
30 Industrial 100.07 98.05
20 Rails 10.23 10.00
20 Utilities 15.10 15.14
40 Bonds 83.89 83.89
11 Commodity Index 50.12 49.65

NEW HONGKONG POSTAGE STAMP



PREVIEW OF HONGKONG'S New King George VI postage stamps, which are similar in many respects to the Queen Victoria issues.

"THOSE TWO GIRLS" COLONEL'S GIFTS

Lieut.-Col. George Frederick Chevenix-Trench—bachelor, Indian Army for 35 years—said "I must do something for those two girls," meaning the cook and the parlourmaid who had made England seem real home for him after his long exile abroad.

The colonel was making his will. He died just before Christmas at the age of 78 and what he did for "those two girls" was revealed in his will published recently.

He bequeathed £300 each and annuities of £65 to Gladys Katharine Hawkins and Jessie Ellen Kimber—Gladys, the cook, Jessie, the parlourmaid. He also gave them the use of his residence, The Anchorage, Old Bursledon, Hampshire, for a year after his death and one-sixth each of the proceeds of its sale.

So, for a year, Gladys, who made the colonel's cakes, and Jessie, who served the after-dinner port, are to live together in his lovely old home, high on a hill, with velvet-like lawns sloping down to the River Hamble.

FORGOT LONELINESS

It will seem strange without the "colonel." Gladys and Jessie had been in his service since 1918: knew, and were tolerant, of his whims. It was they who made him forget that life can be a little lonely for a man who had been "out East" so long.

A member of the Chevenix-Trench family said:

"He was always talking of what perfect servants they were, and when he came to make his will he was anxious to remember them. They made him a real home; understood him perfectly. And... there was a flicker of a smile on the face of the speaker, 'he could be a little tiresome at times.'"

Girl To Marry A Stranger

High Wycombe, Bucks. Miss Cynthia Graham, aged 21, of Cressex-lane, High Wycombe, whose wedding on New Year's Day was stopped by the police, has found a new romance, says a correspondent.

She is to marry a man she has never seen—Mr. L. Laming, of Culmer-road, Winchester.

The New Year's Day wedding was stopped because it was found that the man, Thomas Haddon, aged 29, of Sydney-road, Raynes Park, Wimbledon, was already married.

When Mr. Laming read about this he wrote to Miss Graham offering to marry her. His letter was one of nearly 100 Miss Graham received.

Since then they have written often to each other, and Cynthia will pay her first visit to her future husband on Saturday at Winchester.

Mr. Laming is a 47-years-old widower with one daughter aged three. His wife died last December.

MEN SYMPATHETIC

Referring to her new romance, Miss Graham said to me: "Mr. Laming seems awfully nice from his letters."

Miss Graham was bound over for six months at High Wycombe Petty Sessions to-day after pleading guilty to making a false declaration in a notice of marriage without licence.

It was alleged that in making the declaration she falsely stated that Haddon had lived for six months in High Wycombe.

There was no charge against Haddon.

Plea To Ban Shorts For Girls

Johannesburg. The wearing of shorts and slacks by girls and women gives offence to the stricter members of the Dutch community in South Africa. The East Rand ring of the Dutch Reformed Church has passed a resolution calling upon the Government to introduce legislation forbidding women to wear men's clothes.

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Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 6 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILES

From	Per	Due
Shanghai by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date.	Conte Rosso	April 1.
23rd March	Imperial Airways Plane	April 1.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kiangsu	April 1.
Pakhoi	Liangchow	April 1.
Japan and Shanghai	Naldora	April 1.
Swatow	Newchwang	April 1.
Japan	Behar	April 2.
Straits	Neuchere	April 2.
Australia and Manila	Pan-American	April 2.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 25th March	Airways Plane	April 2.
Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx	April 2.
Saigon	Houtman	April 3.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 20th March	Imperial Airways Plane	April 3.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kingyan	April 3.
Straits	Proctilus	April 3.
Shanghai, Foochow and Swatow	Soochow	April 3.
Halong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Szechuen	April 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Aeneas	April 4.
Straits	Calchas	April 4.
Tientsin	Yunnan	April 4.
Straits	Boisvalin	April 4.
Japan	Cremor	April 5.
Java and Manila	Tjengara	April 5.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Manila (Seattle date, 12th March)	Pres. McKinley	April 6.
Halong	Canton	April 7.
Tientsin	Chengtu	April 7.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 19th March)	Emp. of Asia	April 7.
Manila	Potsdam	April 7.
Amoy	Shirala	April 7.
Japan	Taihybi	April 7.
Japan	Dakar Maru	April 8.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakusan Maru	April 8.
Japan	Kunishima Maru	April 8.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 11th March)	Pres. Pierce	April 8.
Straits	Kashima Maru	April 8.
Straits and Manila	Victoria	April 9.

OUTWARD MAILES

For	Per	Date and Time
Friday		
Swatow	Seistan	Fri., Apr. 1, 3 p.m.
Bangkok	Chungking	Fri., Apr. 1, 4.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweilin, Kweiyang and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C." Airways Direct Service	C.N.A.C. Plane	Fri., Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 6 a.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 19th April.	G. P. O. & K. P. O.	Fri., Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 9 a.m.
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Naldora	G. P. O. & K. P. O.	Fri., Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
"East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 29th April.	Reg.	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Saturday		
Samshui and Wuchow	Kongso	Sat., Apr. 2, 8.15 a.m.
Air Mail for "Australia by Imperial Airways Service"—due Darwin, 6th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	Sat., Apr. 2, 8 a.m.
	G. P. O. & K. P. O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 2, 8 a.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 9 a.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 10th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	Sat., Apr. 2, 8 a.m.
	G. P. O. & K. P. O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 2, 8 a.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 9 a.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Service"—due Amsterdam, 12th April.	Naldora	Sat., Apr. 2, 8.15 a.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 2, 9.30 a.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 10 a.m.
Tientsin	Chang On	Sat., Apr. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa.	Africa Maru	Sat., Apr. 2, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Yuensang	Sat., Apr. 2, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "France Orient Airways Service"—due Marseilles, 17th April.	Sphinx	Sat., Apr. 2, 3.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 2, 4 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 4.30 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, *Egypt and Europe—via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 2nd May.	Sphinx	Sat., Apr. 2, 4.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 2, 4.15 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
Manila, Straits, *Ceylon, *India, Egypt and *Europe via Brindisi—due Brindisi, 24th April.	Conte Rosso	Sat., Apr. 2, 4.15 p.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 2, 4.15 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiangsu	Sat., Apr. 2, 6 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 10th April.	Pan-American Airways Plane	Sat., Apr. 2, 6 p.m.
	K. P. O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 2, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 3, 0 a.m.
Monday		
Swatow, Foochow and *Tientsin	Hoihow	Mon., Apr. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Nellore	Mon., Apr. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, *Shanghai and Tientsin	Chaksang	Mon., Apr. 4, 12.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 7th May and London	Aeneas	Mon., Apr. 4, 12.30 p.m.
Parcels—due London, 14th May.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 4, 3 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 4, 4.15 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 4, 5 p.m.
Tuesday		
Amoy and Shanghai	Tsinan	Tues., Apr. 5, 3.30 p.m.
Wednesday		
Swatow and Bangkok	Kweiyang	Wed., Apr. 6, 8.30 a.m.
Thursday		
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Szechuen	Thurs., Apr. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Thurs., Apr. 7, 3.30 p.m.
Friday		
Shanghai	Potsdam	Tues., Apr. 8, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Kingyuan	Fri., Apr. 8, 10.30 a.m.
*Swatow, *Shanghai and Tientsin	Kwangsang	Tues., Apr. 8, 10.30 a.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., *Central and *South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 20th April and *Europe via Siberia	Pres. McKinley	Fri., Apr. 8, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 7th May	Parcels	Fri., Apr. 8, Noon
	Reg.	Apr. 8, 1.45 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 8, 2.30 p.m.
	Hakusan Maru	Fri., Apr. 8, 2.30 p.m.
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	Reg.	Apr. 8, 3 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 8, 3.30 p.m.

SULTAN OF SELANGOR PASSES ON

Malay Ruler Noted For Succession Dispute

Singapore, Mar. 31. The death occurred to-day of the Sultan of Selangor—Reuter Bulletin. Sultan Aladdin Sulaiman Shah, Sultan of Selangor, was born in 1892. He was the ruler of the second largest of the Federated Malay States, a protectorate which yields more wealth per acre and contributes more per head of the population to Imperial defence than any other colony or Dominion of the British Empire.

The eldest son was deposed from his position as Raja Muda or heir-apparent. There was no objection to this action, for the eldest son was unsuitable. But there were complaints in Malaya against the action of the British Resident of Selangor who, contrary to Malay custom, passed over the second son in favour of the third. The latter, as the result of British orders, was installed as Raja Muda. One of the Resident's reasons for this step was that the third son had received a European education.

The aged Sultan was profoundly disturbed. Soon after his appointment as Colonial Secretary, Mr. Ormsby-Gore refused to agree to a memorial from Selangor asking that the Sultan's second son and not his third should be the heir. This caused Malays to quote against him his own official statement in 1926 that "Malay custom is not interfered with."

In September 1936, the Sultan visited England, ostensibly to receive medical advice and treatment, it being denied that his visit had anything to do with the vexed question of the succession. But he was accompanied by one of his legal advisers who had drafted a petition to the Colonial Secretary. The Sultan brought with him 25 persons, including one of his wives, six of his sons, whose ages ranged from 43 to 10, and one daughter.

COL. DUDLEY MILLS

Royal Engineer Officer Who Served in Colony

Colonel Dudley Acland Mills, R.E. (retired), known to his contemporaries as "Confucius," who died on February 22 at the age of 78, was an authority on things Chinese and early maps, and a man of all-round culture and knowledge.

Son of Arthur Mills, M.P., friend of Gladstone, of Eford Down, Bude, and Agnes Lucy, daughter of Sir Thomas Dyke-Acland, he passed straight from Eton, where he was in Mr. R. A. H. Mitchell's house, into the Royal Military Academy, and at the end of 1878 received a commission in the Royal Engineers. An inclination to debate the rules and regulations and to argue the value of military customs in the true Gladstone manner made him an unconventional soldier; but his charm of manner, abhorrence of shams, and honesty of purpose secured him lifelong friends wherever he served.

Love of the sea, imbibed during his boyhood at Bude, led him to volunteer for the navy formed to marine mining services as he later said, it proved "non-medaliferous," small wars passed it by—although Lord Wolseley in 1884 did requisition a detachment of submarine miners "to blow up the Second Cataract" of the Nile, a task from which they wisely refrained. Thus he saw no active service before his retirement in 1909, but in 1914 he obtained command of a Pioneer Battalion, the 10th Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, which he took to France in May, 1916, in time for the battles of the Somme, and later commanded the 12th (Labour) Battalion, D.C.L.I.

As a subaltern he went round the world, and acquired a taste for exploration, which regard for his mother and, later, his wife, prevented him from gratifying except in a small way. Military duties took him to all parts of the world. During his service in Hongkong in the eighties, equipped with a good colloquial knowledge of a number of southern dialects, he wandered about China in Chinese dress, eating Chinese food, eventually making his way down from Peking to Canton overland. As he grew old he contented himself with reading old books of travel and collecting old maps. While on a holiday in Canada with one of her brothers, also an officer in the Royal Engineers, he met and later married Ethel, a daughter of Sir Henry Joly de Lothbier. She served in a French hospital during the War, and died a few years before him. As old folk they walked not only arm-in-arm but hand-in-hand.

REV. W. A. YOUNG

Distinguished Missionary Of Manchuria

One of the most distinguished missionaries of the Church of Scotland in Manchuria, Dr. William Young, died in Edinburgh. Along with the late Dr. Dugald Christie, founder of Mukden Medical College, Dr. Young was the last missionary to leave Mukden during the Boxer Rising.

Though over 63 years of age, Dr. Young was looking forward to returning to Manchuria to spend two years at his old work. He came home from the mission field in 1933 for the sake of his family, and took over the work of college organising secretary in Scotland, work to which he devoted himself with untiring energy travelling and speaking all over the country.

One of his last efforts was to initiate a memorial to Dr. Christie in the form of a lecture series as part of a scheme for maintaining the staff of Mukden College through the diffi-

RADIO BROADCAST

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Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.
11.0 London Relay—America Speaks—6. Education, President of Harvard University, A series of talks broadcast from the U.S.A. to the British Empire.
11.20 Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

7.20 a.m. Orchestral Music.
7.30 a.m. From Pulney to Mortlake. A record programme on next Saturday's Boat Race and Boat Races of the past.
7.50 a.m. Welsh Concert. Beethoven's (Soprano) and Telford Williams (Baritone).
8.10 a.m. Talk: "The Way of Peace"—12: Summary and Conclusion.
8.40 a.m. The News and Announcements.
9.0 a.m. Big Ben and News of Spanish Music. Anita de Lorne (Soprano) and M. Segura (Guitar).
10.20 a.m. Talk by the Empire Programme Director.
10.35 a.m. "Take your Choice." A weekly entertainment feature, presented by William MacLure.
11.20 a.m. Ronald Gourley, in Pianoforte Improvisations.
11.30 a.m. Big Ben. The News and Announcements.
11.50 a.m. Selections from the Gilbert and Sullivan Operas.
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SOMEBODY
BLUNDERED

Foreign military experts now commence to believe that the Chinese claims of military successes in Shantung and Shansi have good foundation. For some time past news agencies have been despatching thousands of words concerning Chinese victories, but few but the Chinese themselves appeared to give much credence to the accounts. These will now be more readily accepted since the foreign military men in Shanghai have expressed the opinion that the present series of reverses suffered by the Japanese will probably prove the most "costly" phase of the campaign of invasion.

There is justification for this opinion. While it is possible that the Japanese retreat is entirely strategic, devised to trick the Chinese armies into some sort of error, it is more likely that the Japanese themselves have blundered. In the first place their troops believed they were invincible and they may have been prone to take risks as a consequence. It is also true that they underestimated the Chinese capacity for resistance. It seems they are to become aware of their mistakes.

Military experts believe—and for some time have anticipated some such development—that the Japanese advance in North China was commencing to lose its balance by its own velocity. In other words, the spearhead of the attack was penetrating far too rapidly into enemy territory, leaving its flanks exposed and its lines of communication vulnerable to attack by guerrillas. The Chinese have apparently seized their opportunity; and they may be given the credit for having perceived it long ago, and to have deliberately drawn the Japanese into a trap. The sudden change of tactics after the fall of Nanking, the decision to keep large, mobile forces in action behind the Japanese lines, and the carefully preserved elasticity of the Chinese front seem to be natural developments of a plan which envisaged the present opportunity for punishing offensive action. And if this theory is accepted it will be recognised that behind the Chinese armies in the fighting lines is a clear, cool and calculating brain, a master of military science.

The effect of the Chinese successes at this stage of the campaign should be immediate and extensive. In the first place they will give the Chinese people new hope and will stiffen the morale

Hunt the Gowk Another Mile*



TYPICAL ALL FOOLS' DAY HUMOUR

Urchin to Algernon: "Look at yer coat-tails, mister."
Algernon looks. Either there is a piece of paper planned to them, or there isn't.
In either case, urchin cries, "April Fool." Angelina giggles, and Algernon's dignity is badly ruffled.

by

Llewelyn Powys

gravely occupied in an attempt to drown an eel, and in the sober days of Queen Victoria it was a favourite amusement of a genial good man of the house to dispatch his children to the bookseller for the History of Eve's Grandmother, to the apothecary for a pennyworth of pigeon's milk, or to the cobbler for a little pot of elbow grease!

It has sometimes come about that this ancient fashion of careless human jocosity on April 1 has been put to a very practical use.

This was the case with Francis Duke of Lorraine, who clean escaped from his captivity in Nantes on the jesting day.

He disguised himself as a bricklayer with a hod over his shoulder and his Duchess as a washerwoman with a bucket on her back. Then, just as the great gates of the town were swinging open to let them pass out, up jumped a wide-awake citizen who recognised them and was away to the guard shouting at the top of his voice.

The sentinel with a wise grin merely called back "April

Fool" and this cry was repeated by the rest of the soldiery until the zealous loyalist, unable to convince a single man as to the truth of his story, took himself off in a sulky mood.

Even Dean Swift was not above engaging in the immortal rogueries associated with this day. On the evening of March 31, 1713, with Dr. Arbuthnot and Lady Masham, he merrily diverted his scornful mind by contriving a most gross and unseemly "lie for tomorrow."

In the old English ballads the fairies, when up to some particular piece of mischief, are represented as blowing upon "a grass-green horn," and on the morning of this "bride-goose day" we should all of us keep sounding just such a wanton trumpet.

And let us be sure that during

★ A fine old Scottish form of April-fooling ("gowk" is Scots for cuckoo) is to send the victim a mile or so to borrow a two-snooted bonnet or what-will-you from a friend, bearing a note in which are inscribed the words at the head of this article.

The friend obediently tells the victim that he has no two-snooted bonnet, and sends him on a mile to another friend, and so on.

THE "VERY IDEA"

IN A PSYCHOLOGICAL SENSE, WE ARE NUTS

By Eddie Kelly, April Fool

WE HAVE BEEN HAVING SOME BAD DREAMS LATELY. LAST NIGHT, FOR INSTANCE, WE DREAMT WE WERE MARRIED TO A NAGGING WIFE, AND WHEN WE WOKE UP, SCREAMING, WE FOUND OUT IT WAS TRUE.

Lots of our dreams we can't remember. "Telegraph" readers laughed themselves blue in the face at a "Very Idea" article we wrote while we were dreaming on Tuesday night.

The annoying part is that if we could have remembered what we wrote it would have saved us writing this.

We got so worried about it to-day that we decided to consult a psychologist.

"You are too highly strung, and have the wrong mental outlook," he said to us. "RELAX!" Cast the world off your shoulders.

"Sounds O.K. to us," we replied gratefully. "How do you do this relaxing business?"

"Forget everything. . . . Go away somewhere for a long holiday. Leave all your worries behind!"

"But she's bound to want to come with us."

"NO! NO! Get yourself into a complacent mood. Gently say to yourself, I'm content. I'm happy. The Chief in the office simply loves

me, and I'll bet he really didn't mean what he said about that rise in pay." The whole idea is to get away from yourself, see?"

"That's going to be a bit hard. Supposing we catch up with ourself?"

"That is a matter for your own discretion. Release that tension. Just let yourself sag."

"And how long have we got to stay sagged?"

"Right through the summer months."

"Well, we've been wasting our time. What d'you think we had the quarrel with the boss about?"

"And we walked out taking our \$5 with us."

"We shall now sag."

NORDIC ARMOUR PUZZLES

Winnipeg.

A controversy is raging here over the question of whether a suit of Nordic armour discovered in North-western Ontario is proof that Norsemen came to Canada before Columbus discovered America. Historians have made no definite conclusions.

NO ILLNESS IN 70 YEARS

Youngstown, O.

John Rudibaugh and his wife celebrated jointly the event of their 60th wedding anniversary and the fact that, in 70 years, Rudibaugh never had required medical attention of any kind. He is 83; his wife 80.

China's Man In the Iron Lung Keeps Cheerful

EDITS A PAPER

Miami Beach, Fla. **BIGGEST** concern to-day of smiling, curly-haired Frederick B. Snite, Jr., 27-year-old infantile paralysis victim who has been confined to a ponderous, life-giving "iron lung" for almost two years, is finding a new name for his newspaper.

He is less concerned about his condition, which has been improving steadily since he arrived at his father's palatial winter home on Indian Creek here last December.

"THE BOILER KID"

The "Boiler Kid," as Snite calls himself, edits and publishes a mimeographed newspaper, which he sends to a vast army of friends and "just correspondents" all over the world who have been deluging him with letters since he was stricken in China in March, 1936.

Young Snite conceived the idea of a newspaper to reply to his voluminous mail while he was at Billings Hospital in Chicago last summer and named it the Billings Bugle. In a recent issue, he asked suggestions for a new name more appropriate to his present surroundings.

Most of the material that goes into his newspaper is gleaned from the letters he receives. He dictates all his "stories" to a nurse and publishes issues of the Bugle in leisurely fashion whenever he has sufficient material.

ROOSEVELT CORRESPONDS

His mailing list includes many distinguished names and heading it is President Roosevelt. He made a radio appeal on a national hook-up recently in behalf of the President's infantile paralysis foundation fund.

Dictating stories for his newspaper is young Fred's biggest diversion. He also reads through a mirror set directly in front of him and plays cards from his confinement in the heavy Drina more appropriate to his only his head protrudes.

Hope is held that the youth soon may be transferred to a light chest respirator, which would give him free use of his arms and legs. Several of the lightweight respirators tried recently proved unsatisfactory and further experiments are being conducted.

GREATLY IMPROVED

Extent of young Snite's improvement is indicated by recent tests in which he was able to remain out of his "iron lung" for 17 minutes without difficulty. He is removed from his respirator every day for 10 to 12 minutes, but that period is devoted to sun-bathing and massage. The father of the boy is "very much encouraged" by his improvement but fears "only a miracle of science" can bring about his complete recovery.

DUKE WHO DIED IN BUTT OF WINE

A portrait of "false, feeble, perjured Clarence," the brother of Edward IV., who was said to have been drowned in a butt of Malmsey wine at the Tower in 1478, is shortly to come on the market.

The portrait was painted in the reign of Henry VIII., about 60 years after the Duke's death, by Lucas Cornelius. It was one of a series of 16 executed for the Earl of Dudley, at Fenshurst, in the Constables of Queenborough Castle.

The great interest of the picture is that it is the only old portrait of the Duke in existence, and that, at the time of painting, the artist was still probably able to obtain data about his actual appearance. For a long time the portrait was defaced by dirt, but cleaning has laid bare the original colours, which are remarkably fresh.

The Duke is shown at three-quarters length, bare-headed, in armour with a jewelled belt. He stands between the open folds of a richly-embroidered tent of gold cloth. The hair is long and wavy, and there is enough modelling in the face for the portrait just to escape being a conventional mask.

A well-known firm in Grosvenor-street has bought the portrait from "one of the oldest families in England," which does not want its name revealed.

DEMONS DO EXIST, SAYS BISHOP

The Bishop of Ely, Dr. B. O. F. Heywood, thinks it "improbable" to disbelieve in the existence of angels and demons.

Writing in the current issue of his diocesan gazette, he confesses to "a measure of concern" about some of the contents of the report of the Archbishop's commission on Anglican doctrine.

The conclusion that angels and demons do not exist he finds incompatible with the teaching of our Lord.

STREET PERFORMERS IN NANKING



Wife Who Divorces Cannot Be Widow

IF a woman divorces her husband she cannot claim to be his widow when he dies. So Sir John Bennett, vice-chancellor, ruled in Lancashire Chancery Court, Liverpool.

A Cavalcade Of Dutch Life TO CELEBRATE FORTY YEARS ON THRONE

The Hague. A film is to be made in Holland depicting outstanding events in the life of the nation during the 40 years of Queen Wilhelmina's reign.

It will be on the lines of the British film "Cavalcade."

The Army and Navy from the Indies and Holland, and Dutchmen abroad, will all contribute to the making of the film, which, when completed, will be about 7,500 feet long. Parts of it will be used for distribution abroad.

None of the members of the Royal family, it is understood, will appear on the screen.

THE QUEEN'S CORONATION
The film will describe the life of two Dutch families in different circumstances—one living in Amsterdam and the other in an isolated part of the country. It will show important events in Holland and in the Colonies from the time of the crowning of Queen Wilhelmina.

The Dutch Government will give financial assistance. The film will probably be made in the studios of Filmed, near The Hague, and will give employment to a large number of Dutch artists. Production will start next month, and the film must be ready by August.

The text will be by Ben van Eysseldijck. The technical leader will be the Frenchman, M. Greville, the artistic adviser, the Dutchman, Johan de Meester, and the production leader, the Dutchman, Guus Ostwald. The cameramen will also be Dutch.

Sky to Be Photographed; Job Will Require 50 Years

San Jose, Cal. A photographic mapping of the entire sky, which will take 50 years to complete, soon will be undertaken at the Lick Observatory on Mount Sanicito, near San Jose, Cal. The project has been made possible by the donation of \$50,000, which will be used in the construction of the largest star camera in the world. The instrument will have a 20-inch lens.

The carrying out of the 50-year programme will make possible the measurement of the rotation of the entire stellar universe.—United Press.

CRAZY LIFE OF WOMAN WRITER

Williton, Somerset. A daughter of the late Joseph Hocking, the novelist, and a married man, who were said to have lived "like two reckless, crazy young people," were charged here to-day with fraud.

The man, Ian Duff Neil Arnott, was sentenced to six months' hard labour, and the woman, who gave the name of A. Duff Arnott, was bound over.

Both were charged with obtaining £116s. 5d. by false pretences from Herbert Bere, of the Blue Anchor Hotel, near Watchet, and the man was also charged with obtaining £14 3s. 7d. from Bere without notifying him that he was an undischarged bankrupt.

INFATUATED
Mr. John Eastwood, k.c., defending, said the couple pleaded guilty. They met in July, he said. The woman was living apart from her husband, but was earning good money as a writer.

The man left his wife and threw up his job, and then took place with her, usually associated with the ages of 17 and 18.

They became infatuated with each other, and went from place to place, paying where they could or leaving debts and hoping to settle "when their ship came home."

It was reported that nothing was known against the woman, but Arnott's record showed terms of imprisonment at Nice, expulsion from France in 1927, term of imprisonment at Brussels, and others as a result of proceedings at the Old Bailey and Marlborough-street Police Court.

SWIFT OPERATION SAVES GIRL

London. Twenty minutes after Louisa Usher, 8, had swallowed a celluloid ball, surgeons at the Royal Free Hospital performed an emergency operation, removed it from her throat and saved her life.

THE SHOW MUST GO ON.

With more and more people returning to Nanking the former capital is beginning to exhibit something like its former self and street performers are doing business again. Photo shows a Chinese juggler doing one of his tricks while children and Japanese soldiers form an interested audience.

First Flights From Warship ONE WATCHED BY KING GEORGE V.

How King George V. witnessed in the summer of 1912 the first successful flight of an aeroplane from the deck of a stationary ship was described recently by Capt. H. W. Edwards, Governor of the Royal Merchant Navy School. The incident was recalled to his mind by Mr. H. J. C. Harper's article, "When a Plane is Catapulted," in The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post.

Capt. Edwards was serving as lieutenant in H.M.S. London, commanded by Capt. E. H. Gratton. The flight, which the King watched, had been preceded the day before by the first successful take-off from a ship under way.

"A wooden run-way," said Capt. Edwards, "was constructed from the fore bridge over the fore 12in turret to the forecastle, ending at the bows of the ship."

"The plane—a land machine on two bluish wheels, and, of course, a biplane—was brought alongside in a lighter at Sheerness and hoisted on board."

"We put to sea that night, with Cmdr. Sampson, who was making the flight, Lt. Gerard, Royal Marines, and the two Short brothers, the aeroplane manufacturers, on board."

OVER THE BOWS
"On Deal the following morning, with the ship steaming at about 15 knots, and with fresh head wind, Cmdr. Sampson took off by the simple process of starting his engine, releasing the ropes securing the machine in position, and letting her run down the slope of the run-way towards the bows. A little over half-way down the plane lifted and took the air, flying off easily landwards."

"When we arrived at Portland next day Cmdr. Sampson met us and again embarked his machine. King George V. was aboard the Royal yacht in Portland Harbour. It was therefore arranged that the London should anchor near by, and that an official flight should be made by Cmdr. Sampson for his Majesty to see."

"At about 7.10 p.m., with a light breeze blowing, Cmdr. Sampson climbed into his machine. His mechanic swung the propeller, and the machine in those days, the signal to let go lashings was given, and the plane wheels wobbled down the slope."

"Down over the fore turret it went, over the forecastle, and dropped over the bows. We thought it had gone right into the sea, but just as the wheels seemed to touch the surface the plane rose steadily to a safe height. It flew round the ship and the Royal yacht and disappeared over the land. This was the first flight of a plane from the deck of a ship at anchor."

RADIO BROADCAST

Prof. Ore's Compositions From the Studio

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H.K.T. 12.00-12.20 Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Songs by Stuart Robertson (Bass Baritone). The Spanish Lady (Hughes); Lighthouse Reach (Proctor-Gregg); When Lights Go Rolling (Ireland).

12.40 The B. B. C. Military Band. Hungarian Dance ("From Foreign Parts"—Moszkowski, Op. 23 Arr. Sommer); Slavonic Rhapsody (C. Friedemann—arr. Winterbottom); Woodland Pictures—Rural Suite (P. E. Fletcher); Romance—"An Old World Garden" Introduction and Dance—"In The Hayfields"; Humoresque—"The Bean Feast."

1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Lucienne Boyer (Soprano) and Orchestra.

Stephanie Gavotte (Czibulka—arr. Altendorf); Regal Virtual Barceuse (Jornfelt); Orchestre Raymond; Ne Dis Pas Toutjours (J. Lenoir); Lucienne Boyer; Dance Of The Merry Mascots (Albert W. Kettelbey); Orchestre Raymond; The Merry Middles (B. Brooke); Xylophone Duet by W. W. Bennett and Ernest Slaney; Accomp. by the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra; Dans La Fumeo (Jean Bos); Parlez-Moi D'Amour (Jean Lenoir); Lucienne Boyer; Manhattan Serenade (Alter); Manhattan. Moonlight (Alter); Orchestre Raymond.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 The Mills Bros, Clapham & Dwyer and The Ballyhoolligans. I'm Nuts About Screw Music—Fox-Trot (Luncheon and Ross); I Got Rhythm—Fox-Trot (Gershwin); The Ballyhoolligans with vocal chorus; Some of These Days (Brooks); Tiger Rag (La Rocca); The Mills Bros, Tennis; Clapham and Dwyer; Favourite Favourites, No. 3; The Ballyhoolligans; Miss O'Regrets (Cole Porter); My Headache (Razat, Johnson); The Mills Bros; The Ballyhoolligans Make Whoopee—Fox-Trot Medley—The Ballyhoolligans.

2.15 Close Down.

0.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.

7.0 Dance Music.

Slow Fox-Trot—"Makin' A Fool of Myself (Nat Sims); Quickstep—Got Hot (Gonella); Nat Gonella and His Georgians; Slow Fox-Trots—Love Cries (Coleman Hawkins); Sorrows (Roy Brooks); Coleman Hawkins and The Herrier; Fox-Trots—Thru' The Courtyard Of Love (From The Voice of Scandal); Heart (Denville—Michaelson); Billy Thorburn and His Music, with vocal refrain; Tango—Majana! (Juan Lissas); Waltz—The Dawn of Love (Sallier); Fox-Trots—Copper Coloured Gal (Davis-Coots); Cab Calloway and Orchestra; Perfect Night Is Ending (Davis-Coots); Jack Shilket and His Orchestra.

7.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.35 Variety.

Novelty—Carroll Gibbons' Birthday Party; Host: Carroll Gibbons; Guests: Stanley Holloway; Flanagan and Allen; Albert Sandler; Turner Layton; Norman Long; Raymond Newell; Mario Lorenzi; Scott Wood and His Six Swingers; Organ Solo—"Broadway Melody of 1938" (Film Selection) "Crazy Town" (Film Selection); Reginald Dixon (Famous Blackpool Organist); Vocal—Old Leo (From "Transatlantic Merry-Go-Round"); Rock and Roll (From "Transatlantic Merry-Go-Round").

The American Eton Boys with Orchestral Accompaniment; Orchestra—My True Love Has Gone (Robison); Carson Robison and His Pioneers.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

Overture In D Minor (Handel, transcribed Stokowski); Gavotte ("Mignon"—(Thomas); Samson and Delilah—Bacharach (Saint-Saens); Damnation Of Faust—Rakoczy March (Berlioz, Op. 24); Danse Macabre, Op. 40 (Saint-Saens); Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

8.30 Studio—Professor Harry Ore's Compositions (First performance in Hong Kong) Ettore Pellegatti, (Cello) Composer at the Piano.

1. Sonata for Piano & Cello In D, Op. 14; (a) Allegro moderato; (b) Allegretto con espressione; (c) Allegro molto. Prof. Ore (Piano)—Ettore Pellegatti (Cello).

2. Elcy and Gavotte In D, Op. 5 for Cello. E. Pellegatti (Cello).

9.0 London Relay—From Putney To Mortlake.

A recorded programme on next Saturday's Boat Race, and Boat Races of the past. Devised by George Drinkwater, John Snagge, and Jack Ingalls.

9.25 Negro Spirituals.

(a) Use Bury Bury; (b) Gwina Lay Down My Life (arr. E. Thomas); Go Down, Moses (arr. E. Thomas); Edna Thomas (Soprano); I'm Goin' To Tell God All O' My Troubles (arr. Lawrence Brown); Paul Robeson (Bass).

9.50 London Relay—The News, 9.55 Studio—Rev. O. B. R. Sarant—31st Series Of Opera.

10.35 Bach—Concerto In C Major. Played by Arthur Schnabel and Karl Ulrich Schnabel and The London (Continued on Page 5.)



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SPLENDID RACING LAST SATURDAY DESPITE RAIN

FINE FINISHES A FEATURE OF DAY'S EVENTS

MR. S. C. LIANG WINS THE RIDING HONOURS

(By "Captain Foster")

Although the sun did not shine at the Second Extra Race Meeting last Saturday at Happy Valley, the sparkling display of Louis XIV, with the assistance of Mr. S. C. Liang, must have astounded every keen follower of the turf when this chestnut gelding of Mr. S. W. Tang trounced Bistre (winner of 1938 Garrison Cup) and Rose Evelyn (winner of 1938 Royal Navy Cup) in the main event, the Sub-griffins' Spring Handicap, over the champion course confined to subscription griffins of any season.

It was no doubt a great disappointment to the owner that he could not ride the China pony himself, for he was feeling unwell after playing Red Feather in the Canton Handicap; in fact Mr. Tang had to obtain special permission from the Stewards to withdraw from the subsequent race, the St. Kilda Handicap, after his name on Beat That had already been hoisted on the Telegraph Board. At any rate the achievement of Louis XIV was one of the best performances since the good old days of that mighty warrior, Racing Boy, of 1932, for the former had not a pull of the poundage and furthermore, the state of the going was to the liking of Rose Evelyn.

The change from a hard to a soft heavy course was in certain measure responsible for several reversals of form, the best dividend being \$43.60 paid for a win by Brutus in the St. Kilda Handicap.

The race track was badly cut up when the last event was contested and the Fatshan Handicap over a mile for "C" class China ponies was run in 2.06, the last quarter being timed in 32 seconds flat. Practically all the jockeys were plastered with mud when they came in and some of them were barely distinguishable.

MR. LIANG'S FEAT

Mr. V. V. Needa was present at the meeting, but he did not ride owing to a slight attack of "flu" and some of his mounts were taken out by Mr. C. Encarnacao, who returned to reside here permanently. Riding honours went to form to score a "hat trick" for the three winners being Louis XIV, Double Finesse and Golden Cow. The last similar feat was by Mr. N. Deltz at the Second Extra Meeting in 1936. Mr. D. Black had two wins on Confusion Bay and Booted Bay, but Messrs. C. L. Gregory, H. C. Pih, W. G. Poy and A. W. Raymond each had a successful outing.

Mr. L. Dunbar was the only owner to register a double, but Mr. Li Lung-sang collected more stake-money, for he had a win, two seconds and a third. Miss Pamela Scott Hirston had a popular win with her old favourite, Valorous, only ridden by Mr. C. L. Gregory and the lady owner will not be seen again until Autumn when she returns from England.

Although it was an unpleasant afternoon on account of the rain, racing itself was of very high standard and there were several exciting and close finishes.

BREDON FAILS

Coolgardie Handicap Too Long A Race

The failure of Bredon was not a matter of surprise to the writer who anticipated that the distance from the two mile post, once round and in, was too long for the mare. It was Bredon's first public outing for he was "dotted" at the Annual Carnival and the mare was going strong until the "Black Rock" was reached. After that, the trouble started and coming round the bend, Bredon shut up like a knife and finished in the rack. The Buffer, who led for the most part of the journey, was overhauled by Lucky Lad before the mile beacon and the latter went on to win by a good margin. Mr. Poy nearly smelt the earth about twenty yards from the touch line for he lost his off stirrup, but he soon righted his balance in the nick of time and deserves a pat on the back.

CONFUSION BAY IMPRESSIVE

Fast Time On A Heavy Track

There was a good field of 14 fant merchants in the Canton Handicap for "B" class China ponies over six furlongs and the trip was covered in 1.27 which was certainly a creditable performance owing to the state of the going. The manner, in which Confusion Bay captured the event was very impressive, but Mr. Dunbar's candidate did not win by a wide margin. However, a note should be kept of New Star, who finished behind by a neck and it seemed to me that the bay stallion of Kong Bros. did not have too clear a passage in the home run. Mr. Eu Tong-sen had three starters, but none of them was placed. Potentate was fourth.

LOUIS XIV PROVES BEST SUB

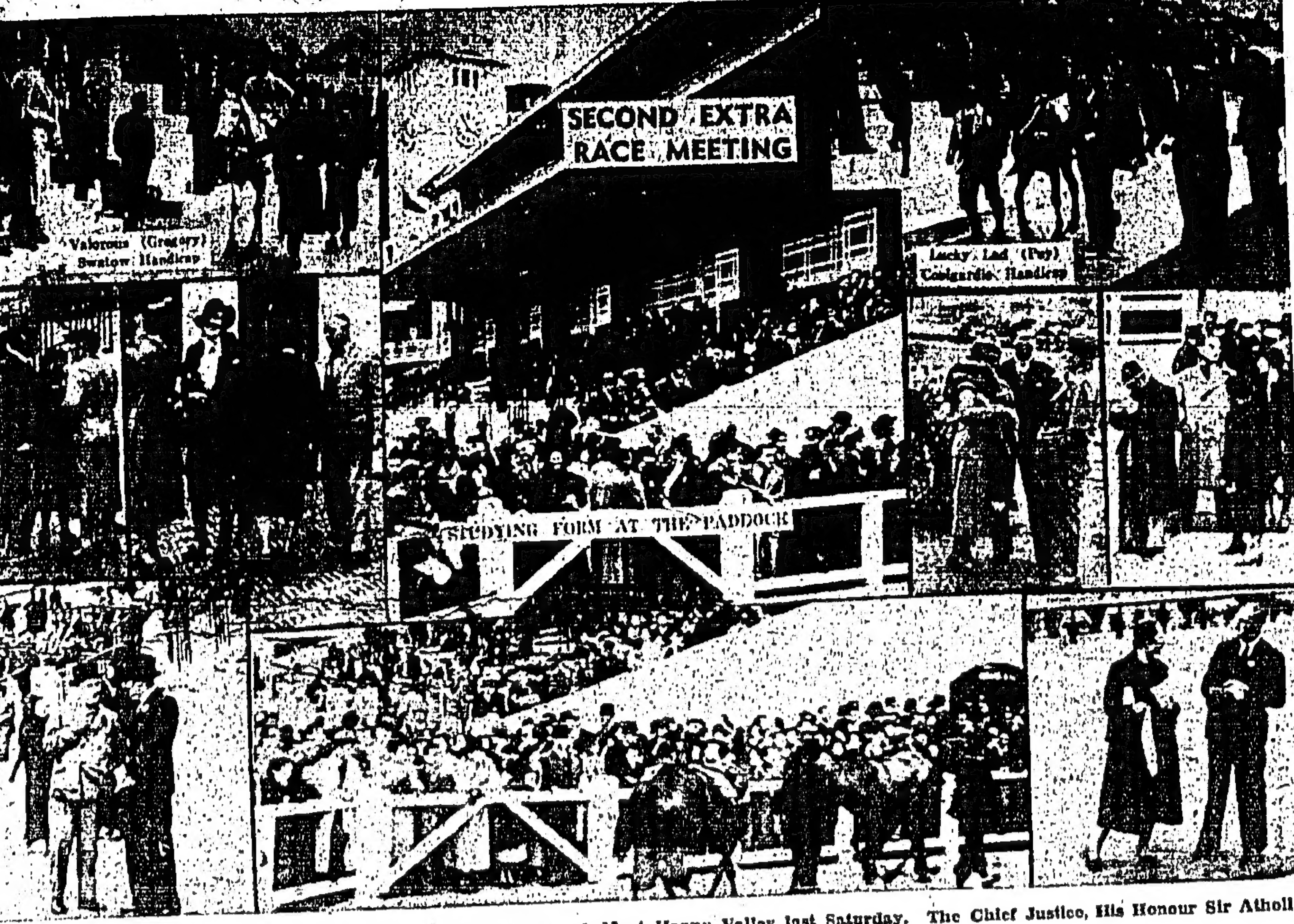
Beats Rose Evelyn By Five Lengths

It was in the Sub-griffins' Spring Handicap over 1½ miles that Mr. S. C. Liang opened his account with a win on this year's sub-griffin champion, Louis XIV, beating Rose Evelyn by five lengths and then another three lengths came Salvage Master, who was in receipt of 24 pounds. It was a treat to watch these three steeds tearing down the home stretch, but long before the mile standard was reached, Louis XIV had the race well in hand and Mr. Tang's candidate carrying 108 lbs. annexed the main event with the greatest ease. I said in my last notes that should Louis XIV reproduce the same form when he lost to Mr. F. C. Hall's Planchet by a short head in the Tylan Handicap "A" division, the old sub-griffins would have some job to save off the spirited challenge of this year's youngsters and Louis XIV came out with flying colours. At the release of the barrier, Rose Evelyn jumped to the front and no doubt the jockey was instructed to take the lead, for the mare loved sudden races. She was however chased by Desert Star, Salvage Master and the rest followed behind. There was no noticeable change as the steeds passed the north gate, but in the back stretch at the foot of the hill, Salvage Master made a hasty move to second position and Louis XIV was after her heels. The same order of running was maintained when they reached past the ½ mile tower, but there was very little hope of Desert Star and Bistre giving the leaders a run for their money. Rounding the bend, Rose Evelyn was still in the front rank with Salvage Master and Louis XIV following in the rear, but it did not take long for the sub-champion to overhaul Rose Evelyn and in less than a minute Louis XIV was heralded as the best sub-griffin of any season. While on the subject, Mr. Tang's lovely Ch'na subscription griffin had seven placed outings since February 19, with five wins to his credit and the chestnut gelding has piled up an aggregate of \$5,333 with the inclusion of the Sports Club Cup. I am not trying to teach Mr. Tang how to run his stable, but there is an old saying that a delicate piece of machinery, when overworked or not properly oiled or when run without a balance wheel to steady its motion, will very quickly shake itself to pieces. Louis XIV has not had a break since February, so he should be careful not to overgallop a first class animal.

TERRIFIC BURST BY WINNER

Double Finesse Causes Surprise

Favoured with a beautiful start on the move, Mr. Pih did not hesitate to take Courting Eve right out to the front in the Broken Hill Handicap over a furlong from the 1½ mile post, and it may interest one to know that the two furlongs from the ½ mile beacon to the last quarter tower were covered in 23.4/5 seconds which was an extremely wonderful performance. Courting Eve was many lengths ahead of Double Finesse when coming round the bend, but it was never realised that the latter could snatch a victory. It was impossible to figure at what pace she was travelling, but Double Finesse (Mr. S. C. Liang up) came on the outside with a terrific burst of speed that surprised me. She ran her race out and just got up in the last stride and won on the post by a short head. It was a very close shave and a remarkable performance by Double Finesse and Courting Eve (both daughters by Double Court) and the whole tour was covered in 1.01.2/5.



A composite picture of the Second Extra Race Meeting held at Happy Valley last Saturday. The Chief Justice, His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, is seen at the lower extreme left chatting to a friend. (Made by G. H. Blok.)

MACAO MEET ON SUNDAY

Special Sweep On Glory Handicap

(By "Captain Foster")

The April Race Meeting under the auspices of the Macao Jockey Club will be held at Arela Praia on Sunday when an attractive programme of six events will be contested, including a Ladies' sprint over half-a-mile.

The s.s. Kishan will leave her pier at 9.30 a.m., returning at 7 p.m. instead of the usual 6 o'clock. The extra hour will give excursionists an opportunity of sight-seeing in the oldest Portuguese colony.

A special dollar cash sweep is being conducted on the main event, the Glory Handicap, over five furlongs and it is learned that the first prize is worth winning.

Shanghai 4 is up against Styrie and Wenning and I am sure we shall see a good race.

My selections are as follows:

HANKOW HANDICAP

Shih Yin Grind
Merry Maker
Gold Clause

HANYANG PLATE

Styrie
Wenning
Shanghai 4

WUCHANG HANDICAP

Electra Time
Gold Coin
Good Morning

GLORY HANDICAP

Victory Life
Hogmanay
Fairly Auk

CHANGSHA PLATE

Mongolian Cat
National Triumph
Cloudy Star

the time being a second slower than the track record held by another progeny—Derby Day—of the same sire. However, it was rather unusual to see Mr. Proulx getting a bad send-off and that of course accounted for Lanchester Chips coming in third. Home Brew was badly left at the post.

BRUTUS DRAWS A GOOD POSITION

And Wins St. Kilda Handicap

Some jockeys may disagree, but I have good reason to believe that the best draw for positions in a sprint from the 1½ mile post is from the third berth to the sixth from the rails. This was proved in the St. Kilda Handicap when Brutus, the winner, drew the third position, but Twilight Star (second pony) was on the outside and Discovery Bay, who was third, had the fourth station. However Discovery Bay was leading

"A. Abbit" Confined To His Bed

Readers will regret to learn that "A. Abbit" is confined to bed by his doctor's orders, and for this reason his Friday article is not appearing to-day. He hopes, however, to be able to do an account of the I.R.C. v. C.C.C. replay.

Crowley Deserves Title Fight

London, March 4.

Dave Crowley, of Clerkenwell, settled a long-standing question of superiority last night at the Albert Hall when he beat Harry Mizler, former lightweight champion, on points. This fight was the final eliminating contest of a dreadfully long series, and Crowley now has the right to meet Jimmy Walsh, of Chester, the present lightweight champion, for the title.

Crowley won very easily. Mizler never looked dangerous and always outboxed, so that when he failed to show any sign of liveliness after the sixth round—the halfway stage—the affair was just a monotonous succession of rounds.

It was expected to be a thriller, with so much at stake, and considerable rivalry between the camps. But it failed at any time to get past the stage of being technically interesting.

Speed was the governing factor. Crowley had it. He was much faster on his feet and with his hands, and he was much keener with his wits. Mizler's left hand was used timidly, and the devastating right was strictly defensive. Crowley was his master in tactics, from start to finish, and this was the best feature of his boxing.

But Crowley never had a damaging punch, and Mizler, after 12 rounds of being rushed from rope to rope, overwhelmed by blows from all angles, left the ring a little out of breath and with his nose bleeding slightly. Crowley looked as if he could have fought another 12.

the pack, but petered out when nearing the distance and rallied again to finish third.

SWATOW HANDICAP

Valorous, piloted by Mr. C. L. Gregory, won the Swatow Handicap without any trouble, and the jockey must be complimented for the manner in which he nursed his mount. Mr. Gregory rode Valorous from the back and the pony had a few pounds to spare at the finish.

GOLDEN COW SUCCEEDS

The second leg of the daily double did not provide any upset and the top weight, Golden Cow, after having a sequence of four seconds, presented his trainer card to the judges to claim his first win in the Kongmun Handicap, completing Mr. S. C. Liang's third successive outing for a "hat trick."

PROGRESS MADE IN COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

S. A. RUMJAHN & W. C. HUNG ENTER QUARTER-FINALS

(By "Abe")

The most noticeable feature in the two singles matches played in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hongkong C.C. yesterday was the weakness of service in almost every case. The only exception, perhaps, was W. C. Hung, and even he was not as reliable as he might have been in this regard.

Presiding at last year's annual general meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, His Honour Mr. Justice Lindsell gave sound advice to local players when he asked them to develop their services into an attacking phase of their game. No appreciable improvement has been seen during the past year, and I am afraid Mr. Lindsell's advice has passed unheeded.

To go back to yesterday's matches, S. A. Rumjahn, a former champion, entered the last eight by eliminating Leong Ping-chiu, a very tenacious player, in straight sets. Rumjahn started off well and following up a lead of 3-1, he annexed the first set with the loss of only two games. Leong settled down in the second set and gave the Indian a better fight. Nevertheless he could not disguise a perceptible weakness in his backhand, which let him down on numerous occasions, and though his forehead was in good working order and often he did not right winners with it, he did not obtain many opportunities of exploiting it. Rumjahn saw to that. Plying his opponent with deep drives, mixed with a few well-judged sortles to the net, the former champion eventually wore down Leong's resistance.

PECULIAR MATCH

The other match of the afternoon was peculiar in many respects. Neither W. C. Hung nor I. M. A. Razack was able to appear at his best, and because he made fewer mistakes than his opponent and because his shots carried a little more punch with them the former won, thus getting into the quarter-finals.

This was Hung's third match in three days. After the hard fight he had had the day before, he had some excuse if his game fell short of its usual standard. But the I.R.C. entry was strangely tentative in every shot which he made. His lack of confidence was apparent right from the start when, as a result of his erratic stroking, Hung jumped into a lead of 4-0. The Chinese player himself was not playing his usual game, and just when it appeared that an easy first set for him was in the offing, he began to mess up some easy smashes and volleys. Thus encouraged, Razack caught up slowly and actually took the lead at 5-4! But it was not to be, and Hung eventually won out at 8-5.

Playing a staid game in the second set, Hung won as he liked with the loss of only one game. By keeping the rallies alive, he went to his points confidently.

It was not a match worthy of two such usually fine exponents of the game. Scores:

Undergraduates Clash With Recreio

In the second game of the triangular play-off series of the Badminton League, the Club de Recreio will meet the University at the Taikoo R.C. this evening at 8 p.m. University beat the Chinese "Y" on Wednesday and need only to beat the Portuguese to-night to be assured of the championship.

S. A. Rumjahn beat Leong Ping-chiu 6-2, 6-4.
W. C. Hung beat I. M. A. Razack 6-3, 6-1.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

An interesting doubles match will be played this afternoon when J. W. Leonard and George Choa clash with Paul Kong and Lee Wai-tong in the quarter-finals.

The encounter promises to be more than ordinarily interesting as Kong and Lee, an extremely steady combination, will be tested by a young enthusiastic pair.

CLOSE TUSSLE EXPECTED

Boat Race Crews All Set For Annual Classic

London, Mar. 31.

The annual Boat Race will be rowed as usual on the course between Putney and Mortlake and will commence at 2 p.m. G.M.T. on Saturday, April 2.

It is expected to be one of the closest races in years and is likely to be a hard-fought tussle. Much will depend on the weather and the toss, but the Dark Blues who were early favourites and then outsiders, have now returned as slight favourites as a result of beating, in a trial row, the Cambridge reserve crew which recently won the Head Office race.

The Oxford crew is one of the heaviest ever to take part in the series, and is possibly too heavy even though it has reduced its weight by an average of four pounds per man. Still, a thirteen stone average will be of great assistance in a head-wind and rough weather.

Although they have the nucleus of last year's crew, the same stroke and cox, and though they will be rowing the same boat, the present crew is not regarded as in the same class as the 1937 team.

The Light Blues are lighter, neater and faster and will keep their form better in long row if the conditions are good.

OXFORD

	St.	Lb.
*J. L. Garton (Eton, Magdalen), bow	11	12
2. H. M. Young (Westminster, Trinity)	12	12½
*3. R. H. Stewart (Eton, Magdalen)	12	13
4. H. A. W. Forster (St. Paul's, Magdalen)	13	2
*5. J. P. Burroughs (St. Edmund's, St. Edmund's)	13	7
6. F. A. L. Waldron (Shrewsbury, Trinity)	13	10
*7. J. C. Cherry (Westminster, B.N.C.)	13	13
*A. B. Hodgson (Eton, Oriel), stroke	12	0
*G. J. P. Merfield (King Edward VI, St. Edmund's) cox	8	1

CAMBRIDGE

	St.	Lb.
*B. T. Coulton (Dulwich, Jesus) bow	11	0
2. A. M. Turner (Cranleigh, Corpus)	11	12
*3. A. Burroughs (St. Paul's, Jesus)	12	0
*4. T. B. Langton (Radley, Jesus)	13	9
5. J. L. L. Savill (Radley, Jesus)	13	0
6. G. G. Keppel (Princeton, Trinity Hall)	13	7
7. A. Campbell (Barnes, Selwyn)	12	14
*D. S. M. Eadie (Oundle, First Trinity), stroke	12	3
*T. H. Hunter (Harvard, Trinity Hall), cox	8	5½

—Reuter.

LADIES' HOCKEY

"Rest" Seniors Beat Junior Eleven

In their practice game on the Y.M.C.A. ground at King's Park last evening, the "Rest" senior team defeated the "Rest" juniors by two goals to nil. Both goals were scored by Mrs. M. White in the second half.

Miss J. Hall, in goal for the juniors, gave a sparkling display. Others to distinguish themselves in the junior team were Miss E. Watson and Mrs. Cunby. Senior players who shone were Mrs. White, Miss G. White, Miss B. Parsons and Miss F. Best.



VICTOR AND VANQUISHED.—W. C. Hung and I. M. A. Razack, snapped while in play in their third-round singles match in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hongkong C.C. yesterday. (Phot. Staff Photographer.)

AMBULANCE WORKERS' ANNUAL INSPECTION: NAVAL WEDDING



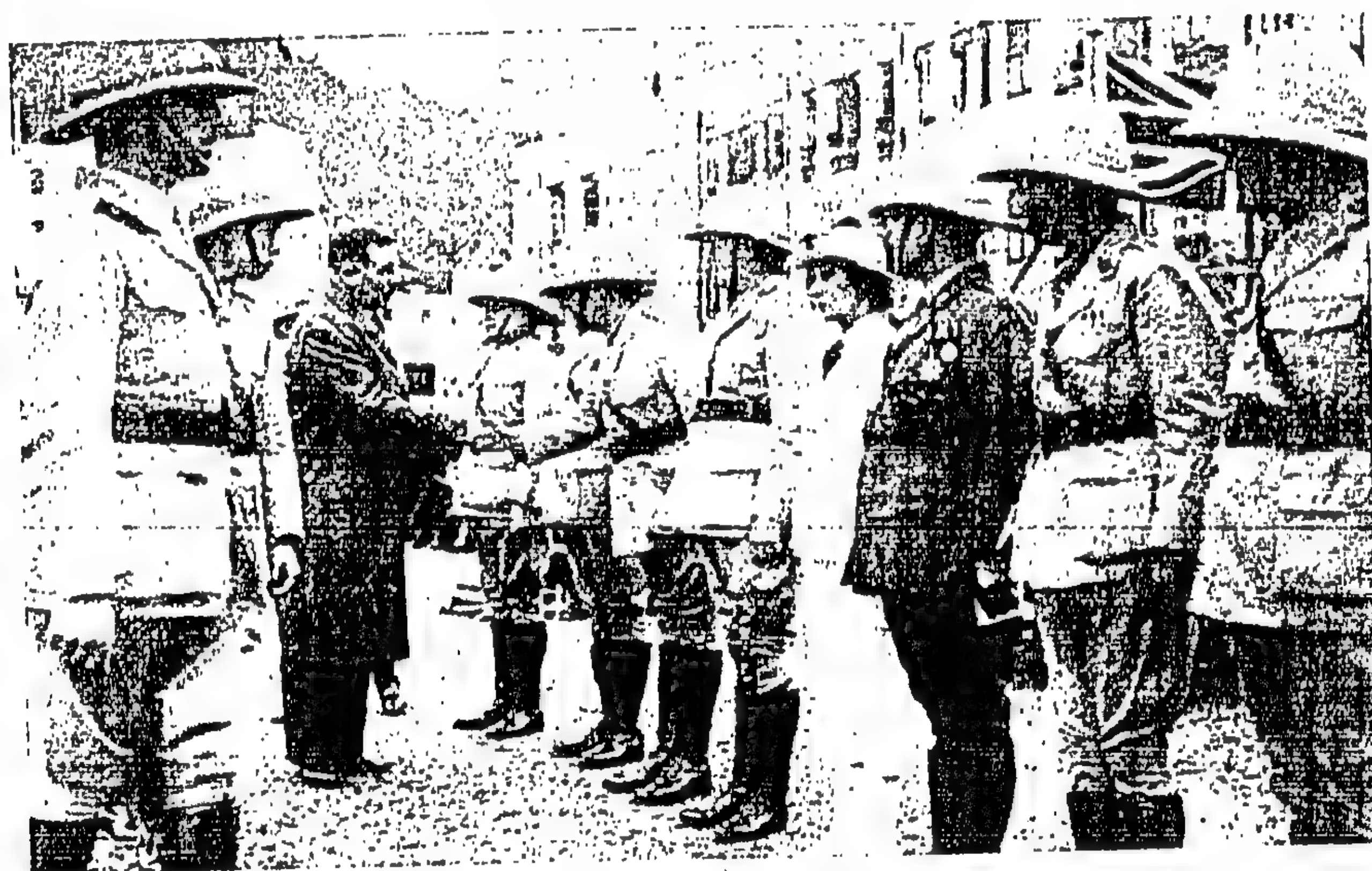
HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor, escorted by Mrs. R. Langley, inspecting Nurses of St. John Ambulance Brigade. — (Photo: Moo Chung).



STRETCHER UNITS, protected with gas masks, preparing an improvised de-contamination station for "gassed" casualties at the annual inspection by His Excellency the Governor. — (Photo: Staff Photographer).



"YOU DON'T SAY!" A friendly little gossip between two rubber encased and gas masked members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Decontamination Squad, during the annual inspection on Monday. — (Photo: Staff Photographer).



OFFICERS AND SURGEONS of St. John Ambulance Brigade, with whom His Excellency the Governor chatted during the Annual Inspection on Monday. — (Photo: Moo Chung).



CHRISTENING CEREMONY took place at St. John's Cathedral last week of Donald, the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Clamo, of the Treasury Department. — (Photo: Ming Yuen).



SURG. LIEUT.-CMDR. S. J. WHEELER R. N. and his charming bride, formerly Miss Daphne Fullbrook, who were married at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday last. — (Photo: Staff Photographer).

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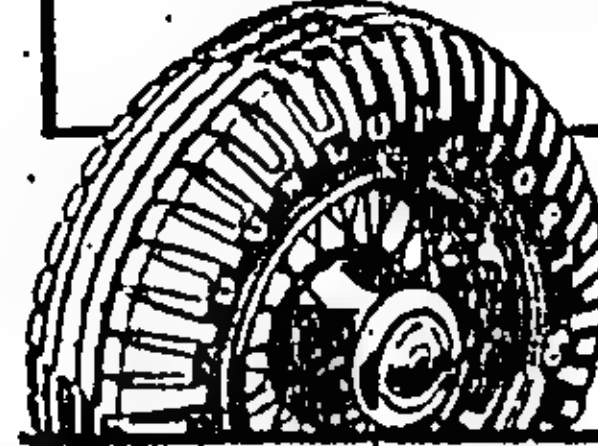
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INSURGENTS BURST INTO TARRAGONA AS DEFENDERS RETIRE

Whole Battalion of British Volunteers Surrenders

Burgos, Mar. 31. The Insurgents, this evening, entered the Tarragona province near Caseras, according to an official claim, which states that an entire battalion of the International Brigade was captured, all of the men being British, including the commander.—*Reuter*.

DRIVE ACCELERATED

Saragossa, Mar. 31. General Franco's drive towards the Mediterranean south of the Ebro River suddenly accelerated on the disappearance of opposing forces from what was previously the Loyalists' strongest point.

Insurgent troops, east of Caspe, are expected to reach Tarragona province to-day, while Legionnaires further south, are making headway.

It is claimed that Loyalist attacks on the Madrid and Teruel fronts during the past two days were all repulsed.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

APPEALS FOR RESISTANCE

Barcelona, Mar. 31. General Companys, President of Catalonia, broadcast an appeal to Catalonians to-day to work, fight and resist for victory, and the honour and rights of life in Catalonia.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

NON-INTERVENTION RECOMMENDATION

London, Mar. 31. The Non-Intervention Sub-Committee to-day agreed to submit to the participating governments the British proposal for compromising the French and Italian views regarding the control of Spanish frontiers, coincident with the withdrawal of volunteers from Spain.—*United Press*.

Doorn House Denies Former Kaiser III

Doorn, Mar. 31. A report published abroad that the ex-Kaiser is seriously ill, is declared to be without foundation, in a communique issued by the ex-Kaiser's household.

The statement observes that he has been confined to the house during the past few days owing to the weather, but that he was about to-day as usual.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

POLISH DEMANDS IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA

Warsaw, Mar. 31. It is reported, though unconfirmed, that Poland will shortly make diplomatic representations to Prague regarding the claims of the Polish minorities in Czecho-Slovakia.—*United Press*.

Fur Workers On Strike In New York

New York, Mar. 31. Fifteen thousand fur workers and trade unionists have gone on strike, demanding a 25 per cent. increase in pay and a 30 hour week. They have threatened to tie up the New York fur industry.

Thousands to-day picketed the fur district, carrying placards with the slogans: "On strike against a 40-hour week," and "On strike for a living wage."

The spokesman charged that the employers plot to "deprive the workers and their families of all human rights."

The Associated Fur Coat and Trimming Manufacturers Association locked out about 2,500, and charged that the Union policies to "rule and ruin" had precipitated the strike.—*United Press*.

Hitler's Life True Example Of Christianity

Berlin, Mar. 31. It is reported from Vienna that the Supreme Council of the Evangelical Church has prepared a statement to be read publicly and unconditionally supporting the *anschluss* as "not only a duty, but an expression of sincere gratitude to gracious God for the rescue of our homes and country."

The chairman of the Council also issued a statement declaring that Herr Hitler, by his life, had given the German people an example of true active Christianity.—*Reuter*.

DEAD MAN WINS \$30

Philadelphia. A dead man won a \$30 prize at the Frankford theatre. The audience agreed that the money should go to his widow.

FOUR CHARMING FLOWER GIRLS AT NAVAL WEDDING LAST WEEK



BRITISH REVENUE BUOYANT

Large Surplus Over Year's Expenditure

London, Mar. 31. The revenue for the financial year in Britain is shown at £872,500,000, and expenditure at £843,704,000, with a net realised surplus of £28,796,000, the official surplus of £9,480,000 being the excess of actual revenue over estimated revenue.

The realised surplus, in accordance with the Defence Loans Act of 1937, will be available for use in the coming year to meet defence expenditure, which otherwise would have to be met from borrowed monies.

The expenditure is £19,054,000 below the estimates. The defence expenditure from the budget revenue is £197,250,000, while a further £64,750,000 has been spent from borrowed monies, making the total defence expenditure £262,000,000, an increase of £76,000,000 over the previous year.—*Reuter*.

Germany's Air Generals Told To Retire

Berlin, Mar. 31. Five Air Force Generals retired to-day. Their retirement was ordered by Herr Adolf Hitler on February 4, when the German fighting services were re-organized.

All the retiring Generals received a signed photograph of Herr Hitler and Marshal Goering, Premier of Prussia and Minister of Aviation, as well as letters of thanks for their services.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

JAPANESE FAIL TO REPLY TO PROTEST

British Do Not Consider Ugly Incident Closed

Shanghai, Apr. 1. A Japanese military spokesman announced last evening that the Major Heslop incident, in which, it is alleged, a Japanese soldier threatened Major Heslop of the Durham Light Infantry with a revolver, is considered closed.

Enquiries among the British military authorities revealed, however, that not only was the incident not considered closed by the British, but in view of the failure of the Japanese military to reply to the British protest, the British military authorities had sent another representation to the Japanese, and had requested that reply and an apology should be delivered without delay.—*Reuter*.

Naval Officers Going Home In Dilwara

In addition to the 239 army officers and men embarking by the transport Dilwara on Monday, many prominent naval officers are departing from China Station by the same vessel.

The complete list, released by the Naval authorities this morning, is as follows: Comdr. C. Wauchope (Tamar), Comdr. C. D. Arbuthnot (Tamar), Lieut. Comdr. D. A. H. Hornell M.V.O. (Duncan), Lieut. Comdr. J. B. Palmer (Cleaveland), Lieut. Comdr. J. Newton (Medway), Lieut. Comdr. H. G. T. Padfield (Medway), Lieut. Comdr. C. N. R. Barham (Tamar), and Mrs. Barham, Lieut. A. H. Terry (Moth), Lieut. E. C. Penke (Diamond), Lieut. H. A. V. Haggard (Rover), Lieut. S. W. Wright (Daring), Lieut. E. Mack (Duchess), Lieut. (E) R. H. S. Clark (Parthian), Comdr. J. M. Larder (Duncan), Gunner (T) T. Binkie (Duchess), Warrant Engineer T. W. Fyson (Cumberland), Wt. Telegraphist F. T. Hawkins (Diamond), Cd. Gunner G. H. Warren (Tamar), Cd. Shipwright A. M. Watts (Tamar), and Mrs. Watts, Warrant Engineer E. T. Pafford (Probus), Warrant Engineer W. E. Harris (Hegulus), Pay. Comdr. A. E. Henderson (Tamar), and Mrs. Henderson, Lieut. J. C. A. Ingram (Peterel), Lieut. H. J. C. Mc. Ray (Coatmaker), To Singapore: Comdr. A. H. Spurgeon, R.A.N. (Cumberland).

No Limit To Size of U.S. Battleships

Washington, Mar. 31. Undoubtedly representing abandonment of the naval treaty limitation of 35,000 tons, Mr. Cordell Hull to-day advised the British and French Embassies that the United States intends to invoke the escalator clause of the London Naval Treaty, which it is understood, means that there will be no limit to the size of battleships.

It is expected that the note will be published, probably tomorrow.—*United Press*.

THESE FOUR CHARMING young flower girls — the Misses Daphne Purry, Janet Cleave, Sue Dibbey and Nancy Dibbey, added a picturesque touch to the wedding last week of Surg. Lt. Cdr. S. J. Wheeler, R.N. and Miss Daphne Fullbrook.— Staff Photographer.

TRAVELS CHINA'S MUNITION HIGHWAY

Correspondent Sees Farmers Drilling In Far Interior

Shanghai, Apr. 1. In a message from Lanchow, dated March 26, a *United Press* correspondent says that it took him three days' travel by special truck to arrive at Lanchow from Hankow on the very important 600-mile communication link with Russia.

Along the bitter road of exile, which ancient Chinese once trod, the only sign of growth was trees planted by General Tso Chung-tang, 60 years ago, during his famed march to quell the Mohammedan rebellion and to conquer Sinkiang.

Through the eternal and terrifically eroded mountains of Shansi and Kansu, where most of the population lives in hillside caves, and where towns are almost non-existent, war posters and drilling farmers provide a sign of modernity in the vast abyss of treeless and ancient dust.

Five-year old children were singing "Down With Japan", yet there was not the slightest indication of war amid the snow-capped mountains.

The authorities said that 600 trucks were on the road. However, they were suffering from a shortage of spare parts, and the correspondent saw many trucks dismantled in order to use these parts.

INCORRECT REPORTS

It was reported that vast hordes were working on the road, but that is not true. However, there are stones and lines on the road, ready for immediate surfacing.

Freight is very expensive, costing 300 yuan per ton from Sian to Lanchow.

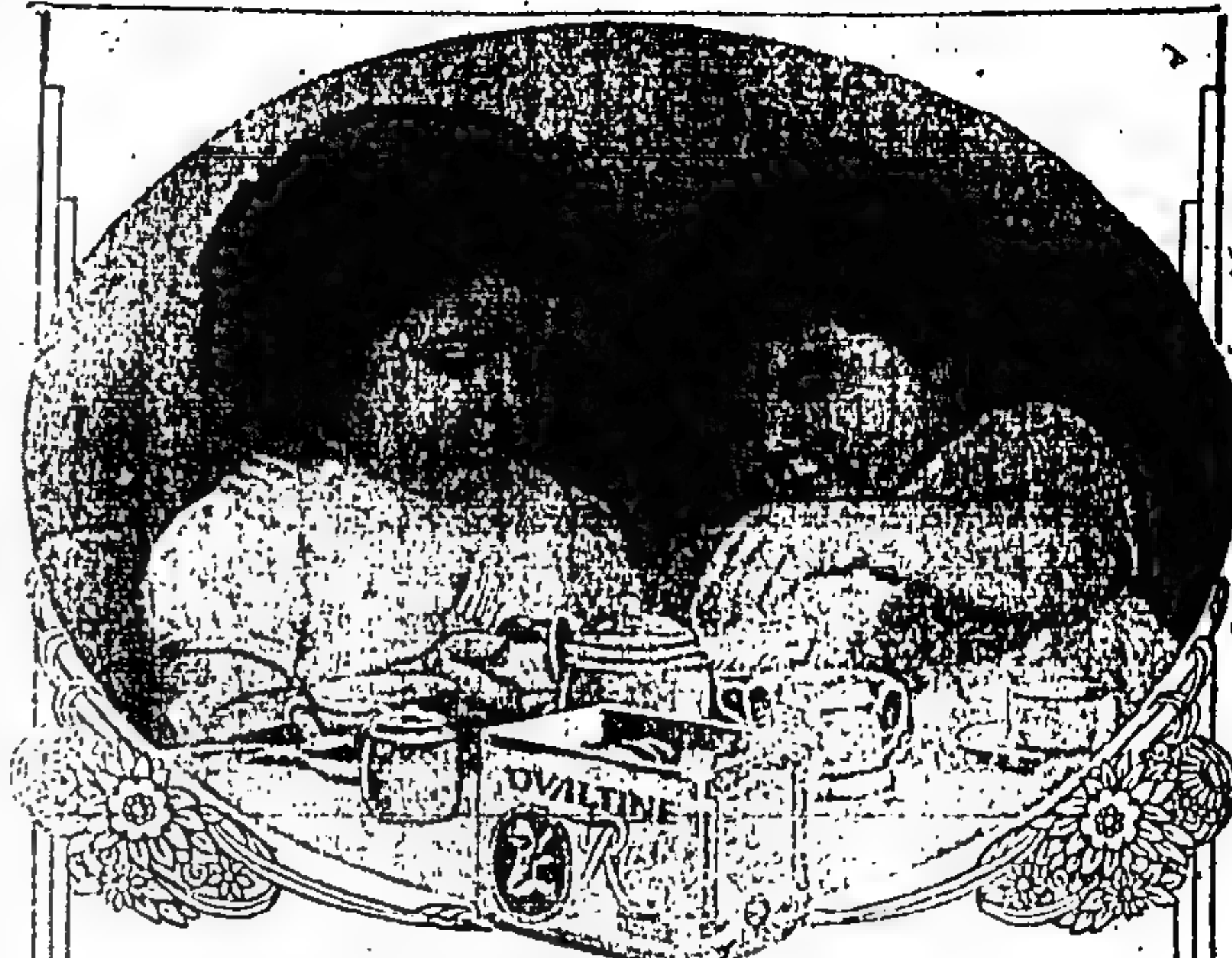
Lanchow is the headquarters of eight war districts, including Shansi, Kansu, Ninghsia and Chinghai, commanded by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, with Tu Hsiang-lung the resident vice-commander. General Tu was Shanghai's Lotion front commander.

Lanchow boasts a very fine air field and military college and is an important base of defence against a possible Japanese thrust from Pao-tow toward Ninghsia, where Ma Hung-kwei is Governor, whose loyalty is said to be as strong as his troops are weak.—*United Press*.

Aircraft Makers Fight Sabotage

London, Mar. 31. Representatives of aircraft companies, responding to an urgent Government warning conferred secretly to find means of fighting sabotage among Royal Air Force planes.

It is understood they discussed the organization of secret "Sabotage Squads" in armament factories to combat the entry of saboteurs into the factories.—*United Press*.



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U.S. Fears To Press Mexico For Payment

Fascists Might Get Into Power If Cardenas Quits

Washington, Mar. 31. Owing to fears that a Fascist regime may supervene in Mexico if President Cardenas is forced out of office, the United States Government is resisting suggestions to intensify pressure on Mexico over the expropriation of the oil companies. Mr. Cordell Hull is confronted with a very delicate situation. On the one hand the United States rights must be upheld and on the other, the United States Government is determined to encourage a Liberal Government in Latin-America, even at the expense of American interests.—Reuter.

STATEMENT CAUSES SURPRISE

Mexico City, Mar. 31. Government officials are surprised by Mr. Cordell Hull's implication that Mexico must pay for lands seized under the agrarian programme as well as for expropriated oil holdings. Economists believe Mexico will be unable to meet the demands with sound currency.

At a convention of the New Party of the Mexican Revolution, composed of workers, peasants and soldiers, former Mexican Ambassador, Senor Majera said: "Mr. Cordell Hull recognizes Mexico's right to expropriate the oil companies." He also referred to Mr. Hull's statement demanding adequate compensation for such expropriation.

There is no indication, as yet, of President Cardenas' reply to Mr. Hull.

ACUTE DISTRESS

With the country suffering increased industrial distress, the Ministry of Finance has instructed government departments to stop machinery purchases.

Delegates of 15,000 Rayon mill workers conferred with the Minister of Labour on the acute situation brought about by lack of business owing to heavy imports and the additional reports of a curtailment in oil operations.

It is reported that President Cardenas has called a special Congress for April 11 to consider legislation for the oil and silver situations.—United Press.

NEW COMPLICATION

Washington, Mar. 31. Increasing concern for a good neighbour policy has spurred Administration officials' efforts to settle the Mexican crisis. Observers forecast increased pressure on Mexico to propose an equitable settlement by simultaneously suspending the registered C.O.D. mail to Mexico.

Officials stated that this was a routine measure, due to the fact that Mexico had suspended insurance money-orders being made payable in the United States.

It is claimed, however, that this is not related to the crisis, but observers point out that it is the suspension of another normal service.—United Press.

OIL COMPANIES SEEK COURT ACTION

Mexico City, Mar. 31. Seventeen oil companies have announced that they are seeking a court to set aside the seizure decree issued by the Government.—United Press.

Peak Homes Burgled

Two residents on the Peak suffered heavy losses in money and jewellery when their flats were burgled some time during the early hours of yesterday morning.

Mr. A. Sommerfeld, of Flat 4, No. 198 The Peak, reported the theft of £87 worth of jewellery and £190 in money, while Mr. T. G. Paterson, of Flat 2, No. 196 The Peak, had money, jewellery and a dressing gown worth \$300 together, stolen. The thefts occurred between 11 p.m. on March 30, and 10 a.m. yesterday.

Chief Engine-room Artiller W. Griggs, of H.M.S. Cumberland, reported to the police the theft of \$41 worth of clothing from a locker in the China Fleet Club.

Mr. W. A. Mackintosh also reported to the police the loss of a wrist watch valued at \$100 between Salisbury Road car park and the Kowloon Star Ferry Wharf.

DIG BURGLARY IN KOWLOON

Major G. S. Rawstone, of the Seaforth Highlanders, has reported a costly burglary from his residence, 4 Cornwall Street, Kowloon Tong.

Thieves got away with jewellery valued at \$5,208, including a pearl necklace worth \$1,040 and a ruby and diamond ring, in platinum, costing \$640.

Entry was made to the dwelling by cutting out a pane of glass in the front door.

MORE PAY FOR NAVAL MEDICAL OFFICERS

London, Mar. 31. It was announced 40-night in the House of Commons that Medical officers in the Royal Navy, whose case was reserved for further consideration, are to receive marriage allowances under the same conditions recently granted to other naval officers.—British Wireless.

SEAMAN ASSAULTS OFFICER

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drinking he was not unaware what he was doing.

TROUBLE WITH FIREMEN

"First of all there was trouble with two firemen, then he tried to attack Mr. Miles who was sitting on number four hatch. A few minutes later Mr. Miles heard a commotion and saw the defendant struggling with the chief officer and striking him with his fists. It took several people to pull him off, so violent was the attack," said Mr. Nigel.

"Ten minutes later, Mr. Miles again heard a commotion while in his cabin, and on rushing out saw the chief officer in mid-air, falling from the lower bridge to the deck below. The defendant rushed down the ladder and seized the chief officer by the neck, and it was necessary for Mr. Miles to use force and with the help of others to pull him off again.

"The second assault was a most brutal attack, as the chief officer was injured at the time the defendant rushed at him. The chief officer is at present in Kowloon Hospital with a fractured ankle, and it may be possible to have him sent back to the ship this afternoon."

HOOVER MAINTAINS U.S. MUST CONTINUE FRIENDSHIP WITH ALL DICTATORSHIPS

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tinguished from war credit countries. They should be encouraged to use the money owed to the United States in the extension of education and the exchange of students and scientific information. Among these countries, Mr. Hoover included Poland, Belgium, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Finland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Greece, Rumania and Yugoslavia.

"Our national mission is to keep alive the lamp of true liberalism," said Mr. Hoover, and added that both Communism and Fascism spring from infected soils, observing: "If our own so-called planned economy is not an infection from the original stream of Fascism, it is at least a remarkable coincidence."—United Press.

HOOVER OPPOSES ALLIANCE

Washington, Mar. 31. Addressing the Council of Foreign Relations on his return from a European tour, ex-President Herbert Hoover advocated absolute independence in political action, and adequate preparedness as the best means of keeping out of another war.

Describing Europe as a rumbling war machine, Mr. Hoover said that he found most of the nations in Europe convinced that America would be inevitably drawn into the next war, as in the last.

Some people build a confident hope on this, but every phase of this picture should harden the American resolve to keep out of the others' wars, declared Mr. Hoover.

Warning the United States that joining the other democratic powers of Britain and France would involve America in an alliance directed against Italy and Germany, and all the satellites they could collect, Mr. Hoover said that Britain had her own national and imperial problems and policies, and any commitment of the United States would mean America would be dragged into those policies. "If the world is to keep the peace, then we must keep peace with dictators as well as with the popular governments"—Reuter.

19 New Cases Of Smallpox

Only nineteen cases of smallpox were reported to the health authorities yesterday. This is the lowest daily total since early in February.

Ten cases were reported from Victoria, eight from Kowloon and one from a junk in the Harbour.

Shaukiwan, Aberdeen and the New Territories were again free from notifiable disease.

One case of scarlet fever occurred in Kowloon.

Fine Week-End Promised

Hongkong will probably start its first fine week-end for over a month to-morrow.

Spring weather, which replaced overcast and drizzly conditions last Monday, is expected to continue, accompanied by fresh easterly and north-easterly winds.

Humidity, at 47 per cent, dropped to its lowest level since last October at 10 o'clock this morning.

Maximum temperature was 70 degrees compared with 72 degrees yesterday.

LEFT LOCAL ESTATE

The late Mrs. Felicia Nann Harbottle, formerly of 12 Somerset Road, Kowloon Tong, and who died at Kowloon Hospital on February 10 last, left local estate valued at \$12,100. Letters of administration to the estate have been granted to Mr. Allan V. Harbottle, wireless technician.

PROGRESS AT ANGLO-ITALIAN PARLEYS

Partial Agreement In Principle

Halifax Talks On Policy

Rome, Mar. 31. It is understood that an agreement in principle was reached on the questions of Palestine and the Red Sea at to-day's Anglo-Italian conversations.

It is believed that the Suez Canal question has not yet been broached. The experts are meeting again to-morrow, and Lord Perth, British Ambassador, is seeing Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, on April 2.—Reuter.

HALIFAX DEFENDS POLICY

London, Mar. 31. Viscount Halifax, addressing the Foreign Press Association at a luncheon to-day, declared that there was nothing weak in the spirit of toleration, or a desire to avoid war by exhausting every means of diplomacy and offers.

The British nation intended to be strong and to go on building up her strength in order to make her voice more powerfully heard in the Councils of Europe.

It would be a very serious and a very dangerous error to think that there was any fundamental cleavage between the Government and people of Britain on matters of foreign policy.—Reuter.

INSCRUTABLE ENGLISH

London, Mar. 31. The Foreign Secretary, addressing the Foreign Press Association at a luncheon, Englishmen's outlook on foreign affairs was apt, not infrequently, to be rather a puzzle to the inhabitants of the Continental countries. It often seemed to many foreigners that the English were rather inscrutable, and in times of crisis he thought they must be more inscrutable than usual, because at such times they were apt to keep a strict rein on their emotions.

But he ventured to think the English attitude to foreign affairs was guided by a perfectly sane process of thought and reason. In Britain they had come to adopt certain standards of conduct, and of the relations between individuals which they were inclined to regard as of general application. These standards sometimes failed, and were discarded as unsuitable for political emergency and the English were apt when they occurred, to be horrified and shocked.

"At such moments," continued Lord Halifax, "voices are raised, clamouring that we should intervene in a disordered world and put everything straight, and change an order different from our own into something which we could recognize as English. These voices are extremely loud at times and are, I believe, sincere, but they are not a dominating factor in our foreign relations."

LOOKING AHEAD

He went on to say that British foreign policy as he understood it, was not directed so much for to-morrow, as to a later day, of which sometimes there were outlines, but which have not as yet taken definite shape. Therefore the British Government did not rush in with quick and hastily conceived remedies.

It thought it wiser to allow nature to do its work—do what they could to preserve their standards at home. This attitude was based on sternly practical considerations. The English people had never remained, and could never remain, aloof from what was happening in Europe. They had moments or moods in which they liked to persuade themselves that they would like to keep out of it, but when it came down to hard facts, they were far too sensible to let those moods colour their judgment.

SOMETHING TOUGH ABOUT ENGLISH

One thing English people disliked and distrusted, and no-one would have any success who tried it with them, was to be told too clearly what was going to happen in advance. No matter how cogently one might argue, no would not be convincing English people to a point of action.

"I do not say he would always be wrong or the English people would always be right. But I think that is a fact."

In conclusion, the Foreign Secretary said: "There is something more than a sweet reasonableness in the English character. There is something a good deal tougher, and more robust, and something that will always have to be reckoned with if our reasonableness is misunderstood. There is, I think, nothing weak in the desire to avoid war by exhausting every means of diplomacy offers. There should be no misunderstanding however. I do not believe there is any misunderstanding. This nation to-day intends to be strong, and to go on building up its strength in order that it may make its voice heard powerfully in the councils of Europe. No other country suspects us of any aggressive intention, but it is no doubt right to make clear that we should never be indifferent to aggression elsewhere."—British Wireless.

BANISHEE RETURNS

For returning to the Colony before the expiration of his ten years' banishment term, Lau Ma-chuen, 37, was sentenced to ten months' imprisonment at Central Magistracy to-day.

CHINA'S MECHANISED ARMY ATTACKS

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break the entire Japanese detachment was annihilated.

The railway station at Talerchwang was cleared of Japanese troops after a bloody engagement yesterday. No fewer than 1,000 Japanese were slain and 17 tanks were taken.

Chinese tank units and planes are effectively assisting in the "mopping up" operations.—Central News.

Two Towns Recaptured

Tunglu, April 1.

Chinese guerrillas which crossed the Chientang River have recaptured Haiyen and Haining, according to the latest reports received here.—Central News.

Japanese Troop Train Attacked

Tsingyang, April 1.

A Japanese troop train which was stopped at Yangkiatu on the Wuhu-Wanchin sector of the Nanking-Wuhu Railway yesterday morning, as a result of damage done to the track, was attacked by Chinese forces.

Emerging from hiding, the Chinese troops peppered the train with heavy machine-gun fire, killing many Japanese soldiers.

About 200 metres of rails have been torn up at Yangkiatu.—Central News.

Honan City Taken By Japanese

Chengchow, Apr. 1.

Chunhsen, on the eastern section of the Taokou-Chinghua Railway, was taken by the Japanese troops on March 30.

Reinforced by 1,000 troops from Changchun equipped with 12 field pieces, the Japanese forces renewed their attack. The old city walls were battered down at many places and large numbers of houses were ruined.

To avoid unnecessary losses the Chinese forces broke through the Japanese cordon and withdrew to Neliwang and Puyang.

Fighting is still going on at Taokou and Hwalsien.—Central News.

Volunteers Active In Manchuria

Hsuechow, Apr. 1.

Taking advantage of the dispaich of large numbers of troops of the Japanese Kwantung Army to the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front, Chinese volunteers are reported to have renewed their activities in Manchuria.

The Kwantung Army is taking strict precautions.—Central News.

Chinese Victory At Kwangteh

Hsuechow, Apr. 1.

A signal victory has been won by the Chinese forces at Kwangteh on the Anhwei-Chekiang border. They repulsed a fierce Japanese attack, inflicting some 4,000 casualties.

After this defeat the Japanese retreated toward Hing and Changling in the Taihu Lake area. Chinese forces have damaged the highways at Chiapui to sever their communication and are advancing vigorously on Changling and Liyang.

Szean, also on the Anhwei-Chekiang border, was recaptured by the Chinese forces after a night-long engagement on March 28.—Central News.

LITTLE BOY RUN OVER AND KILLED

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also was injured. Both were taken to the Queen Mary Hospital.

The two cars were extensively damaged.

LITTLE BOY HURT

A seven-year-old boy, Lee Man-tam, was knocked down by a Blue taxi cab driven by Chan Ping-chai in Yenchow Street, Shamshuipo, yesterday, and was taken to the Kowloon Hospital with injuries to the forehead.

Lam Chuen, 12, a girl, was injured when she was knocked down by a private car in Connaught Road Central. She was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital.

Mr. E. Landau, of Jimmy's Kitchen, reported that his motor-car, No. 1048, was stolen from a city car-park yesterday.

NEW GOVERNOR FOR GIBRALTAR

SIR W. E. IRONSIDE RECEIVES APPOINTMENT

London, Mar. 31.

The King has approved the appointment of General Sir William Ironside, to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Gibraltar succeeding Sir C. Harrington in October next. General Ironside was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Troops in Archangel in October 1914, and later commanded the 15th Infantry Division in the North Persian force in 1924. He served as Commandant of the staff college at Camberley in 1922 to 1926. He was Quartermaster-general in India from 1933 to 1936, and in 1936 he was appointed General Officer and Commander-in-Chief of the Eastern Command.—British Wireless.

BALLOON ASCENDS 89,300 FEET

Boston, Mar. 31. A weather balloon to-day ascended 89,300 feet, which is the highest altitude yet reached. It recorded a temperature of 69 degrees below zero.—United Press.

Still Strive To Maintain Neutrality

Non-Interventionists Meet Again

London, Mar. 31.

The first meeting of the Chairmen's Sub-Committee of the Non-Intervention Committee since February 3, was held in the Foreign Office this afternoon. Lord Plymouth presiding, opened the proceedings by voicing the regret of the sub-committee at the death of the Danish Observing Officer, who was killed on duty in the British steamer Stanwell, and he proposed asking the secretary to convey a message of regret to the Danish Minister.

Lord Plymouth, outlining the present position of the non-intervention scheme referred to the two chief difficulties remaining after acceptance in principle of the British formula by the French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Soviet governments. The first was the basic figure of the formula, and the second was the date of restoration of observation.

Regarding the second His Majesty's Government proposed that observation on land frontiers should be restored on the earliest day on which both commissions reported they would be ready to start counting, and that it should be automatically suspended if the withdrawal had not actually begun on the 56th day after the final adoption by the full committee of the resolution, or alternatively if, in the initial stage the withdrawal scheme were to fall more than 10 days behind the agreed time-table.

Other representatives spoke, including M. Corbin of France, who stated at some length the position of the French Government. The sub-committee then agreed that all representatives on the sub-committee and the main committee should at once submit to their respective governments the proposals made by Lord Plymouth, together with a report on the discussion which had ensued, with a request for instructions at the earliest possible moment.

Regarding the classification of volunteers the sub-committee agreed that the governments should be consulted regarding the proposals made in the secretariat's memorandum on the practicability of classifying foreign volunteers by categories for the purpose of withdrawal. The sub-committee further agreed, after the secretary had called attention to the difficult financial position of the observation scheme, to submit a memorandum thereon to the governments with request for early instructions.—British Wireless.

BESIEGING ARMY HAS FOOD FOR LERIDA

(Continued from Page 1.)

by 15,000 Loyalists in the centre of the Lerida front, who enticed the insurgents into a trap. They permitted 40 tanks to enter the town which despatched messengers advising that the main force in the city had evacuated. They also permitted aircraft to fly over without firing anti-aircraft guns, after which the remainder of the insurgents entered the main square.

The hidden Loyalists then fired from windows and doorways, and grenaded and machine-gunned the panicky insurgents, who retreated leaving several damaged tanks and many casualties.

After this engagement, the insurgents commenced to encircle Lerida.

A later message from Burgos says that the insurgents have surrounded Lerida.—United Press.

Loyalists Stage A Big Attack

Madrid, Mar. 31.

After a very heavy artillery preparation, Loyalist forces attacked to the north and north-west of Guadalajara. It is claimed they captured their objectives.

It is believed the offensive was designed to draw off the insurgents who are attacking Catalonia.—Reuter.

TYNESIDE GIVEN ORDERS FOR NEW DESTROYERS

London, Mar. 31.

The Admiralty has decided to place orders for eight destroyers of the 1937 programme with the following firms: H.M.S. Larne and Lively with Cammell Laird, Birkenhead. The Legion and Lightning with the Parsons Marine Steam Turbine Company, Wallsend on Tyne, with the hulls by R. and W. Hawthorn, Leslie and Company, The Lookout and Loyal with Scotts Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, Greenock. The Laffrey and Lance with Yarrow and Company, Scotstoun.—British Wireless.

CHACO FRONTIER REVOLT FAILS

La Paz, Mar. 31.

It is announced that Colonel David Toro attempted to incite a revolt in the village of Villa Montes, among the garrison on the Chaco frontier, but when he was unsupported, he fled to the Argentine.—United Press.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1938.

SOMEBODY
BLUNDERED

Foreign military experts now
commence to believe that the
Chinese claims of military suc-
cesses in Shantung and Shansi
have good foundation. For some
time past news agencies have
been despatching thousands of
words concerning Chinese vic-
tories, but few but the Chinese
themselves appeared to give
much credence to the accounts.
These will now be more readily
accepted since the foreign mili-
tary men in Shanghai have ex-
pressed the opinion that the
present series of reverses suf-
fered by the Japanese will
probably prove the most "cost-
ly" phase of the campaign of
invasion.

There is justification for this
opinion. While it is possible
that the Japanese retreat is
entirely strategic, devised to
trick the Chinese armies into
some sort of error, it is more
likely that the Japanese them-
selves have blundered. In the
first place their troops believed
they were invincible and they
may have been prone to take
risks as a consequence. It is
also true that they under-
estimated the Chinese capacity
for resistance. It seems they
are to become aware of their
mistakes.

Military experts believe—and
for some time have anticipated
some such development—that
the Japanese advance in North
China was commencing to lose
its balance by its own velocity.
In other words, the spearhead of
the attack was penetrating far
too rapidly into enemy territory,
leaving its flanks exposed and
its lines of communication vul-
nerable to attack by guerrillas.
The Chinese have apparently
seized their opportunity; and
they may be given the credit for
having perceived it long ago,
and to have deliberately drawn
the Japanese into a trap. The
sudden change of tactics after
the fall of Nanking, the decision
to keep large, mobile forces in
action behind the Japanese lines,
and the carefully preserved elas-
ticity of the Chinese front seem
to be natural developments of a
plan which envisaged the pre-
sented opportunity for punishing
offensive action. And if this
theory is accepted it will be re-
cognised that behind the
Chinese armies in the fighting
lines is a clear, cool and calcu-
lating brain, a master of mili-
tary science.

The effect of the Chinese suc-
cesses at this stage of the cam-
paign should be immediate and
extensive. In the first place they
will give the Chinese people new
hope and will stiffen the morale

Hunt the Gowk Another Mile★



TYPICAL ALL FOOLS' DAY HUMOUR

Urchin to Algernon: "Look at yer coat-tails, mister."
Algernon looks. Either there is a piece of paper
pinned to them, or there isn't.

In either case, urchin cries, "April Fool." Angelina
giggles, and Algernon's dignity is badly ruffled.

by

Llewelyn Powys

OF all the months of the
year none is so sportive
as April. It is as way-
ward as a kid with its
hooves kicking up above its
crinkled horns.

These weeks are the weeks of
natural rejoicing over the re-
turn of the vernal equinox, and
it may be that this accounts for
the fact that the custom of
April Fooling on the first of
April is so widespread.

It is a custom as well known
to the Germans on the Rhine
with their French on the Seine
with their polissons d'Avril, as
for that matter to the Hindus
on the Ganges with their Hull
festival.

On this day alone the frolic
frivolity of Nature, with her
playful showers, her chirping
newly-arrived warblers, and
dancing daffodils is so infectious
that even pomposity man is
easily persuaded to lay aside for
once (though only in play) his
notable moralities!

There was published in the
year 1661 a work entitled "The
Twelve Months." It is very
clear that the author of this
volume understood well the old
couplet:

"When April blows his horn,
It is lucky to be born."

This is proven, I think, by the
following quotation from the
month of April:—

"The little fishes lie nibbling at the
bait, and the porpoise plays in the
pride of the tide. . . the aged feel a
kind of youth, and youth hath a spirit
full of life and activity; the aged hairs
refreshen, and the youthful cheeks are
as red as a cherry. The lark and the
lamb look up at the sun. . . It were a
world to set down the worth of this
month; for it is 'Heaven's blessing and
the earth's comfort.'"

To send the credulous on a
fool's errand is the proper diver-
sion of the day. The less good
sense there is to be found in the
object of the journey so much
the better.

King John's henchman dis-
covered the wise men of Gotham

To-day's Thought

THE First of April, some do
say,
Is set apart for All Fools' Day;
But why the people call it so,
Nor I, nor they themselves, do
know.

—UNKNOWN

Poor Robin's Almanac, 1700.

A Schoolmaster Looks Ahead

THE other day a parent put
this question to me: "Tell
me," she said, "why do you, as a
teacher, favour homework?" "I
always thought," she added,
"that such things belonged to
the past."

I replied that I was very sorry to
disappoint her, but home-lessons
would never become a thing of the
past. "Indeed," I remarked, "it is
highly probable that the amount of
work given out daily in schools will
increase as the years go on! And I
proceeded to argue my point on the
following lines.

If a child is to make any progress
at all, I said, he must have a cer-
tain amount of homework each even-
ing. How else can you expect him
to learn the art of working? If home-
lessons were abolished I am certain
that every child in the country would
suffer. No doubt he would enjoy
his new liberties at first, but through
time he would abuse them, and the
enforced period of leisure would in-
evitably become a period of mono-

tony. And surely the cry of the day
would then be: "Back to Home Les-
sons!"

I was next asked to state my rea-
sons for thinking that homework
would increase through time. "Well,"
I replied, "the main cause will no
doubt be the shortening of the school
day. Scholars will probably begin
classes at eight o'clock in the morn-
ing, and finish at one. For the rest
of the day they will be free—with
one limitation: each scholar will be
obliged to spend an hour or two in
private study."

"And where," asked my questioner,
"do you expect them to do this pri-
vate study?" I replied that there
would be special "Halls of Study" set
up in each district, and to one of
these the child would go, the only
stipulation being that he must remain
for a set period of one, two, or, in the
case of senior pupils, three hours.
Half of this period would be devoted
to the prescribed homework, and the
remainder spent in seeking out in-
teresting facts from encyclopaedias
and other books of reference.

In this way the child would be en-
couraged to work for himself—
which is the only real method of
working! A supervisor would, of
course, be in charge to maintain
order and give friendly advice.

My parent friend seemed im-
pressed. She saw at once that the
system had obvious advantages, such
as shorter hours of confinement,
longer periods for play, and greater
freedom generally.

"Up-idea," she added, "if these
things do come, my conscience will
trouble me no longer. For I shall
know that my children are really
doing their homework; and some-
how I think they will do it willingly
if they do not do it at home."

I wonder what the future holds for
schoolchildren? What do you think?

THE "VERY IDEA"

IN A PSYCHOLOGICAL SENSE, WE ARE NUTS

By Eddie Kelly, April Fool

WE HAVE BEEN HAVING SOME BAD DREAMS LATELY.
LAST NIGHT, FOR INSTANCE, WE DREAMT WE WERE
MARRIED TO A NAGGING WIFE, AND WHEN WE WOKE UP,
SCREAMING, WE FOUND OUT IT WAS TRUE.

Lots of our dreams we can't remember. "Telegraph" readers
laughed themselves blue in the face at a "Very Idea" article we
wrote while we were dreaming on Tuesday night.

The annoying part is that if we could have remembered
what we wrote it would have saved us writing this.

We got so worried about it to-day
that we decided to consult a
psychologist.

"You are too highly strung, and
have the wrong mental outlook," he
told us. "RELAX!" Cant the
world off your shoulders."

"Sounds o.k. to us," we replied
gratefully. "How do you do this
relaxing business?"

"Forget everything. . . . Go away
somewhere for a long holiday.
Leave all your worries behind!"

"But she's bound to want to come
with us."

"NO! NO! Get yourself into a
complacent mood. Gently say to
yourself, 'I'm content. I'm happy.'"

The Chief in the office simply loves
Winnipeg.

A controversy is raging here over
the question of whether a suit of
Nordic armour discovered in North-
ern Ontario is proof that Norsemen
came to Canada before Columbus
discovered America. Historians have
made no definite conclusions.

Youngstown, O.
John Rudibaugh and his wife
celebrated jointly the event of their
60th wedding anniversary and the
fact that, in 70 years, Rudibaugh
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tion of any kind. He is 83; his wife
80.

NO ILLNESS IN 70 YEARS

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the treacherous hours before
our kitchen clocks strike twelve
we allow no self-important looks
to intimidate us.

There have been those who
explain the origin of All Fools'
Day by the proverbial levity of
the climatic conditions preva-
lent at this time of the year,
with weather never to be relied
upon from hour to hour.

Others, however, suggest that
we may trace here the influence
of the Medieval Passion Plays
which were used to show Jesus
as being led back and forth be-
tween the authorities of Jerusa-
lem for no reasonable purpose.

In Germany, when anyone has
wasted his time upon sleeveless
errands, they say that he has
been 'going von Pontius zu
Pilatus.

It is far more probable, how-
ever, that the motley morning
preserves old memories of the
high-spirited celebrations that
welcomed the return of the
summer among primitive
people. Without doubt a feel-
ing of exultation was common
from one end of Europe to
another at the reappearance of
April, that month of "Heaven's
blessing and earth's comfort,"
as the old writer called it.

The very word Easter is de-
rived from the Teutonic god-
dess of the spring—Eostre—and
it is to be observed that the
earliest English poets always
sing best when they are com-
posing under the bright dawn of
her inspiration:—

"Bytwene Merche and Averi
When spray beginneth to spring,
The lutel foul hath hire wep
On hire lud to syng:
(In her language to sing)
Ich libbe in love-longinge
(I live in love-longing)
For semkkest (seemkest) of alle
thynges,
She may me bliss bringe,
Icham in hire handous
(I am in her thralldom).

True it is that during the
month dedicated to laughing
Aphrodite, those troubles
through the bones of men and
the quills of birds and the twigs
of trees and the fins of fishes a
new affirmation of existence.

The days of the longest human
life pass as swift as a cloud shadow
across a downland valley. When
April blows his golden daffodil
trumpet we forget the "grass-
green" graves that await us.

"Banishing sorrow till to-mor-
row," we have breath only for cry-
ing out over and over again like
cuckoos in new leaves "blessed be
God made sunn and moon!"

In town and country on All Fools'
Day there may be heard through-
out England a blithe sound—gay,
irresponsible and generous. It is
what the old free Germans so well
named Osterelckichter or Easter
Laughter.

★ A fine old Scottish form of April-fooling ('gowk' is Scots for
cuckoo) is to send the victim a mile or so to borrow a two-
snooted bonnet or what-will-you from a friend, bearing a
note in which are inscribed the words at the head of this article.

The friend obediently tells the victim that he has no two-snooted
bonnet, and sends him on a mile to another friend, and so on.

China's Man In the Iron Lung Keeps Cheerful

EDITS A PAPER

Miami Beach, Fla. **BIGGEST** concern to-day of smiling, curly-haired Frederick B. Snite, Jr., 27-year-old infantile paralysis victim who has been confined to a ponderous, life-giving "iron lung" for almost two years, is finding a new name for his newspaper.

He is less concerned about his condition, which has been improving steadily since he arrived at his father's palatial winter home on Indian Creek here last December.

"THE BOILER KID"

The "Boiler Kid," as Snite calls himself, edits and publishes a mimeographed newspaper, which he sends to a vast army of friends and "just correspondents" all over the world who have been deluging him with letters since he was stricken in China in March, 1936.

Young Snite conceived the idea of a newspaper to reply to his voluminous mail while he was at Billings Hospital in Chicago last summer and named it the Billings Bugle. In a recent issue, he asked suggestions for a new name more appropriate to his present surroundings.

Most of the material that goes into his newspaper is gleaned from the letters he receives. He dictates all his "stories" to a nurse and publishes issues of the Bugle in leisurely fashion whenever he has sufficient material.

ROOSEVELT CORRESPONDS

His mailing list includes many distinguished names and heading it is President Roosevelt. He made a radio appeal on a national hook-up recently in behalf of the President's infantile paralysis foundation fund.

Dictating stories for his newspaper in young Snite's biggest diversion. He also reads through a mirror set directly in front of him and plays cards from his confinement in the heavy Drinker respirator from which only his head protrudes.

Hope is held that the youth soon may be transferred to a light chest respirator, which would give him free use of his arms and legs. Several of the light-weight respirators tried recently proved unsatisfactory and further experiments are being conducted.

GREATLY IMPROVED

Extent of young Snite's improvement is indicated by recent tests in which he was able to remain out of his "iron lung" for 17 minutes without difficulty. He is removed from his respirator every day for 16 to 12 minutes, but that period is devoted to sun-bathing and massage. The father of the boy is "very much encouraged" by his improvement but fears "only a miracle of science" can bring about his complete recovery.

DUKE WHO DIED IN BUTT OF WINE

A portrait of "false, fleeing, perjured Clarence," the brother of Edward IV, who was said to have been drowned in a butt of Malmsey wine at the Tower in 1478, is shortly to come on the market.

The portrait was painted in the reign of Henry VIII, about 60 years after the Duke's death, by Lucas Cornelius. It was one of a series of 16 executed for the Earl of Dudley, at Penhurst, of the Constables of Queenborough Castle.

The great interest of the picture is that it is the only old portrait of the Duke in existence, and that, at the time of painting, the artist was still probably able to obtain data about his actual appearance. For a long time the portrait was defaced by dirt, but cleaning has laid bare the original colours, which are remarkably fresh.

The Duke is shown at three-quarters length, bare-headed, in armour with a jewelled belt. He stands between the open folds of a richly-embroidered tent of gold cloth. The hair is long and wavy, and there is enough modelling in the face for the portrait, just to escape being a conventional mask.

A well-known firm in Grosvenor-street has bought the portrait from "one of the oldest families in England," which does not want its name revealed.

DEMONS DO EXIST, SAYS BISHOP

The Bishop of Ely, Dr. B. O. F. Heywood, thinks it "impertinent" to disbelieve in the existence of angels and demons.

Writing in the current issue of his diocesan gazette, he confesses to "a measure of concern" about some of the contents of the report of the Archbishop's commission on Anglican doctrine.

The conclusion that angels and demons do exist he finds inconsistent with the teaching of our Lord.

STREET PERFORMERS IN NANKING



Wife Who Divorces Cannot Be Widow

IF a woman divorces her husband she cannot claim to be his widow when he dies. So Sir John Bennett, vice-chancellor, ruled in Lancashire Chancery Court, Liverpool.

A Cavalcade Of Dutch Life

TO CELEBRATE FORTY YEARS ON THRONE

The Hague. A film is to be made in Holland depicting outstanding events in the life of the nation during the 40 years of Queen Wilhelmina's reign.

It will be on the lines of the British film "Cavalcade."

The Army and Navy, from the Indies and Holland, and Dutchmen abroad, will all contribute to the making of the film, which, when completed, will be about 7,500ft long. Parts of it will be used for distribution abroad.

None of the members of the Royal family, it is understood, will appear on the screen.

THE QUEEN'S CORONATION

The film will describe the life of two Dutch families in different circumstances—one living in Amsterdam and the other in an isolated part of the country. It will show how they witnessed a number of important events in Holland and in the Colonies from the time of the crowning of Queen Wilhelmina.

The Dutch Government will give financial assistance. The film will probably be made in the studios of Filmstad, near The Hague, and will give employment to a large number of Dutch artists. Production will start next month, and the film must be ready by August.

The text will be by Ben van Eyckelstein. The technical leader will be the Frenchman, M. Greville, the artistic adviser the Dutchman, Johan de Meester, and the production leader the Dutchman Guus Ostwald. The cameramen will also be Dutch.

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THE SHOW MUST GO ON. With more and more people returning to Nanking the former capital is beginning to exhibit something like its former self and street performers are doing business again. Photo shows a Chinese juggler doing one of his tricks while children and Japanese soldiers form an interested audience.

First Flights From Warship

ONE WATCHED BY KING GEORGE V.

How King George V. witnessed in the summer of 1912 the first successful flight of an aeroplane from the deck of a stationary ship was described recently by Capt. H. W. Edwards, Governor of the Royal Merchant Navy School. The incident was recalled to his mind by Mr. H. J. C. Harper's article, "When a Plane is Catapulted," in The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post.

Capt. Edwards was serving as lieutenant in H.M.S. London, commanded by Capt. E. H. Grafton. The flight, which the King watched, had been preceded the day before by the first successful take-off from a ship under way.

"A wooden run-way," said Capt. Edwards, "was constructed from the fore bridge over the fore 12in turret to the forecastle, ending at the bows of the ship."

The plane—a land machine on two big wheels, and, of course, a biplane—was brought alongside in a lighter at Sheerness and hoisted on board.

"We put to sea that night," with Cmdr. Sampson, who was to make the flight, Lt. Gerrard, Royal Marines, and the two Short brothers, the aeroplane manufacturers, on board.

OVER THE BOWS. "On Deal the following morning, with the ship steaming at about 10 knots, and with fresh head wind, Cmdr. Sampson took off by the simple process of starting his engine, releasing the ropes securing the machine in position, and letting her run down the slope of the run-way towards the bows. A little over half-way down the plane lifted and took the air, flying off easily landwards."

"When we arrived at Portland next day Cmdr. Sampson met us and again embarked his machine. King George V. was aboard the Royal yacht in Portland Harbour. It was therefore arranged that the London should anchor near by, and that another flight should be made by Cmdr. Sampson for His Majesty to see."

"At about 7.15 p.m., with a light breeze blowing, Cmdr. Sampson climbed 'into his machine. His mechanic swung the propeller—about the machine in those days. The signal to let go lashings was given, and the plane wheels wobbled down the slope."

"Down over the fore turret it went; over the forecastle, and dropped over the bows. We thought it had gone right into the sea, but just as the wheels seemed to touch the surface the plane rose steadily to a safe height. It flew round the ship and the Royal yacht and disappeared over the land. This was the first flight of a plane from the deck of a ship at anchor."

CRAZY LIFE OF WOMAN WRITER

Williton, Somerset.

A daughter of the late Joseph Hocking, the novelist, and a married man, who were said to have lived "like two reckless, crazy young people," were charged here to-day with fraud.

The man, Ian Duff Neil Arnott, was sentenced to six months' hard labour, and the woman, who gave the name of A. Duff Arnott, was bound over.

Both were charged with obtaining £1 10s. 8d. by false pretences from Herbert Bere, of the Blue Anchor Hotel, near Watchet, and the man was also charged with obtaining £14 3s. 7d. from Bere without notifying him that he was an undischarged bankrupt.

Mr. John Eastwood, K.C., defending, said the couple pleaded guilty. They met in July, he said. The woman was living apart from her husband, but was earning good money as a writer.

The man left his wife and threw up his job, and then took place which was usually associated with the ages of 17 and 18.

They became infatuated with each other, and went from place to place, paying where they could or leaving debts and hoping to settle "when their ship came home."

It was reported that nothing was known, against the woman, but Arnott's record showed terms of imprisonment at Nice, expulsion from Brussels, and others as a result of proceedings at the Old Bailey and Marlborough-street Police Court.

SWIFT OPERATION SAVES GIRL. London. Twenty minutes after Louise Usher, 11, had swallowed a celluloid doll, surgeons at the Royal Free Hospital performed an emergency operation, removed it from her throat and saved her life.

RADIO BROADCAST

Prof. Ore's Compositions From the Studio. ETTORE PELLEGGATTI

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6.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.

7.0 Dance Music.

Slow Fox-Trot—Makin' A Fool of Myself (Nat Sims); Quickstep—Get Hot (Gonella)... Nat Gonella and His Georgians... Slow Fox-Trot—Love Cries (Coleman Hawkins); Sorow (Key Brooks)... Coleman Hawkins and The Berries; Fox-Trot—Thru' The Courtesies Of Love (From The Voice of Scandal); Golden Heart (Denyville-Michaelson)... Billy Thorburn and His Music with vocal refrain; Tango—Majanihi (Jann Lissas); Waltz—The Dawn of Love (Salko)... Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Copper Coloured Gal (Davis-Coots)... Cab Calloway and Orchestra; Another Perfect Night Is Ending (Davis-Coots)... Jack Shilkrut and His Orchestra.

7.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.35 Variety.

Novelty—Carroll Gibbons' Birthday Party; Host: Carroll Gibbons; Guests: Stanley Holloway; Flanagan and Allen; Albert Sandler; Turner Layton; Norman Long; Raymond Newell; Mario Lanza; Scott Wood and His Six Swingers; Organ Solo—"Broadway Melody of 1936" (Film Selection) "Curly Top" (Film Selection)... Reginald Dixon (Famous Blackpool Organist); Vocal—Oh! Le (From "Transatlantic Merry-Go-Round"); Rock and Roll (From "Transatlantic Merry-Go-Round")... The American Eton Boys with Orchestral Accompaniment; Orchestra—My True Love Has Gone (Robison)... Carson Robison and His Pioneers.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

Overture in D Minor (Handel, transcribed Stokowski); Gavotte ("Mignon")—(Thomas); Samson and Delilah—Bach; Marche—Rakoczy March (Berlioz, Op. 24); Danse Macabre, Op. 40 (Saint-Saens)... Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

8.30 Studio Prof. Ettore Pellegatti's Compositions.

First performance in Hong Kong of Ettore Pellegatti, (Cello) Composer at the Piano.

1. Sonata for Piano & Cello in D, Op. 14; (a) Allegro moderato; (b) Allegretto con espressione; (c) Allegro molto... Prof. Ore (Piano) Ettore Pellegatti (Cello).

2. Elegy and Gavotte in D, Op. 5 for Cello... E. Pellegatti (Cello).

3. London Relay—From Futney To Mortlake.

A recorded programme on next Saturday's Boat Race, and Boat Races of the past. Devised by George Drinkwater, John Snagge, and Jack Inglis.

9.20 Negro Spirituals.

(a) I've Been Baked; (b) Gwina Lay Down My Life (arr. E. Thomas); Go Down, Moses (arr. E. Thomas); Edna Thomas (Soprano); I'm Goin' To Tell God All O' My Troubles (arr. Lawrence Brown); Paul Robeson (Bass).

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Studio—Prof. E. B. R. Saragat—31st Series Of Opera, "Dramatic Soprano."

10.35 Bach—Concerto in C Major. Played by Arthur Schnabel and Karl Ulrich Schnabel and The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

11.0 London Relay—"America Speaks"—Education.

A talk by J. B. Conant, President of Harvard University. A series of talks broadcast from the U.S.A. to the British Empire.

11.20 Close Down.

Special Tax To Prevent Penetration By Japanese

Canton, April 1.

Beginning to-day, the Kwangtung authorities have imposed a special tax on goods imported from areas now under Japanese military occupation, as a precautionary measure against Japanese economic penetration.

The tax will be abolished as soon as these areas are recovered.—Central News.

VAN ZEELAND REPORT BEING CONSIDERED

London, Mar. 31.

The Prime Minister informed the House of Commons that the Van Zeeland report was still under consideration. "I feel," he said, "in the present circumstances it would be well to defer any decision whether effect shall be given to its recommendations." Asked whether other Governments have been consulted, Mr. Chamberlain added: "We are in consultation with the French Government.—British Wireless.



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U.S. FARMERS ASSISTED

Washington, Mar. 31.

It is understood that increases under the 1938 Acreage Allotment Bill, which were agreed upon at a meeting to-day, provide, firstly, a four per cent. acreage increase allotment in each State, secondly that each farmer should be allotted not less than 50 per cent. of the 1937 acreage, plus acreage diverted from cotton under the soil conservation programme.—Reuter.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong Radio: Minco Maru, Chikang, Asama Maru, Conte Rosso, Africa Maru, President Cleveland, Jean Laborde, Empress Of Asia, Potsdam, Hongkong, Belmont, Proteus, Africa Maru, Nellore, Sphinx, G. G. Paul, Doumer, Behar, and Newchwang.

ROYAL ESTATES FOR WAR VETERANS

Vienna, Mar. 31.

It is learned that the new regime will probably give the huge Hapsburg estates to the War Veterans' Fund.—United Press.

PICKPOCKET GAOLED

Five months' hard labour were given Su Kwun, 23, unemployed, by Mr. H. Edwards at the Central Magistracy to-day for stealing a wallet from Ho Sai-kit, at the Canton Wharf, Connaught Road Central.

CAUGHT WITH OPIUM

Found with 11 tael of prepared opium in her possession at Johnston Road yesterday, a woman, Wong Kin, 28, was arrested and appeared before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy to-day. She was fined \$500, with the alternative of six months' hard labour.

SPLENDID RACING LAST SATURDAY DESPITE RAIN

FINE FINISHES A FEATURE OF DAY'S EVENTS

MR. S. C. LIANG WINS THE RIDING HONOURS

(By "Captain Foster")

Although the sun did not shine at the Second Extra Race Meeting last Saturday at Happy Valley, the sparkling display of Louis XIV, with the assistance of Mr. S. C. Liang, must have astounded every keen follower of the turf when this chestnut gelding of Mr. S. W. Tang trounced Bistre (winner of 1938 Garrison Cup) and Rose Evelyn (winner of 1938 Royal Navy Cup) in the main event, the Sub-griffins' Spring Handicap, over the champion course confined to subscription griffins of any season.

It was no doubt a great disappointment to the owner that he could not ride the China pony himself, for he was feeling unwell after piloting Red Feather in the Canton Handicap; in fact Mr. Tang had to obtain special permission from the Stewards to withdraw from the subsequent race, the St. Kilda Handicap. After a name on Beat that had already been isolated on the Telegraph Board, at any rate the achievement of Louis XIV was one of the best performances since the good old days of that mighty warrior, Racing Boy, of 1932, for the former had not a pull of the poundage and furthermore, the state of the going was to the liking of Rose Evelyn.

The change from a hard to a soft heavy course was in certain measures responsible for several reversals of form, the best dividend being \$43.00 paid for a win by Brutus in the St. Kilda Handicap.

The race track was badly cut up when the last event was contested and the Fasten Handicap over a mile for "C" class China ponies was run in 2:06, the last quarter being timed in 32 seconds flat. Practically all the jockeys were plastered with mud when they came in and some of them were barely distinguishable.

MR. LIANG'S FEAT

Mr. V. V. Needa was present at the meeting, but he did not ride owing to a slight attack of "flu" and some of his mounts were taken out by Mr. C. Encarnano, who returned to reside here permanently. Riding honours went to Mr. S. C. Liang, who was in great form to score a "hat trick," the three winners being Louis XIV, Double Finesse and Golden Cow. The last similar feat was by Mr. N. Deliz in the Second Extra Meeting in 1936. Mr. D. Black had two wins on Confusion Bay and Boolat Bay, but Messrs. C. L. Gregory, H. C. Pih, W. G. Poy and A. W. Raymond each had a successful outing.

Mr. L. Dunbar was the only owner to register a double, but Mr. Li Lung-sung collected more money for his horse than he did for his mount. He had a win, two seconds and a third. Miss Pamela Scott Harston had a popular win with her old favourite, Valorous, ably ridden by Mr. C. L. Gregory and the lady owner will not be seen again until Autumn when she returns from England.

Although it was an unpleasant afternoon on account of the rain, racing itself was of very high standard and there were several exciting and close finishes.

BREDON FAILS

Coolgardie Handicap Too Long A Race

The failure of Bredon was not a matter of "flu" to the writer who anticipated that the distance from the two mile post, once round and in, was too long for the mare. It was Bredon's first public outing for he was "dotty" at the Annual Carnival and the mare was going strong until the "Black Rock" was reached. After that, the trouble started and coming round the bend, Bredon shut up like a knife and finished in the rear. The Buffer, who led for the most part of the journey, was overwhelmed by Lucky Lad before the mile beacon and the latter went on to win by a good margin. Mr. Poy nearly smelt the earth about twenty yards from the touch line for he lost his air stirrup, but he soon righted his balance in the nick of time and deserves a pat on the back.

CONFUSION BAY IMPRESSIVE

Fast Time On A Heavy Track

There was a good field of 14 fast merchants in the Canton Handicap for "B" class China ponies over six furlongs and the trip was covered in 1:27 which was certainly a creditable performance owing to the state of the going. The manner, in which Confusion Bay captured the event was very impressive, but Mr. Dunbar's candidate did not win by a wide margin. However, a note should be kept of New Star who finished behind by a neck and it seemed to me that the bay stallion of Kong Bros. did not have too clear a passage in the home run. Mr. Eu Tong-sen had three starters, but none of them was placed. Potentate was fourth.

LOUIS XIV PROVES BEST SUB

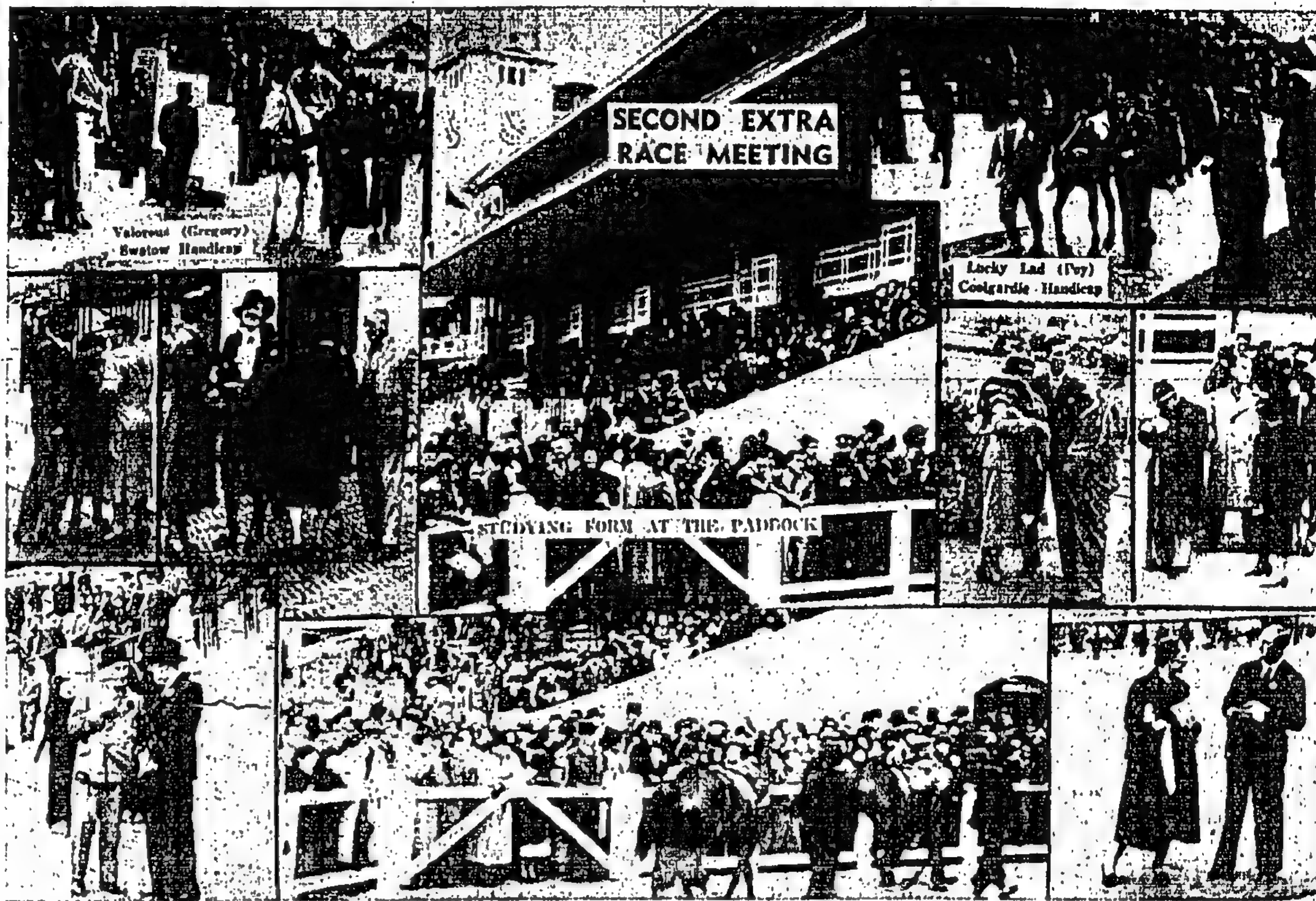
Beats Rose Evelyn By Five Lengths

It was in the Sub-griffins' Spring Handicap over 1½ miles that Mr. S. C. Liang opened his account with a win on this year's sub-griffin champion, Louis XIV, beating Rose Evelyn by five lengths and then another three lengths came Salvage Master, who was in receipt of 24 pounds. It was a treat to watch these three steeds tearing down the home stretch, but long before the mile standard was reached, Louis XIV had the race well in hand and Mr. Tang's candidate carrying 100 lbs., annexed the main event with the greatest ease. I said in my last notes that should Louis XIV reproduce the same form when he lost to Mr. F. C. Hall's Planchet by a short head in the Tytam Handicap "A" division, the old sub-griffins would have some job to save off the spirited challenge of this year's youngsters and Louis XIV came out with flying colours. At the release of the barrier, Rose Evelyn jumped to the front and no doubt the jockey was instructed to take the lead, for the mare loved sudden track. She was however chased by Desert Star, Salvage Master and the rest followed behind. There was no noticeable change as the steeds passed the north gate, but in the back stretch at the foot of the hill, Salvage Master made a hasty move to second position and Louis XIV was after her heels. The same order of running was maintained when they finished past the ½ mile lower, but there was very little hope of Desert Star and Bistre giving the leaders a run for their money. Rounding the bend, Rose Evelyn was still in the front rank with Salvage Master and Louis XIV following in the rear, but it did not take long for the sub-champion to overhaul Rose Evelyn and in less than a minute Louis XIV was heralded as the best sub-griffin of any season. While on the subject, Mr. Tang's lovely China subscription griffin had seven placed outings since February 19, with five wins to his credit and the chestnut gelding has piled up an aggregate of \$5,353 with the inclusion of the Special Cup. I am not trying to teach Mr. Tang how to run his stable, but there is an old saying that a delicate piece of machinery, when overworked, or not properly oiled or when run without a balance wheel to steady its motion, will very quickly shake itself to pieces. Louis XIV has not had a break since February, so he should be careful not to overdo a first class animal.

TERRIFIC BURST BY WINNER

Double Finesse Causes Surprise

Favoured with a beautiful start on the move, Mr. Pih did not hesitate to take Courting Eve right out to the front in the Broken Hill Handicap over a jaunt from the 1½ mile post, and it may interest one to know that the two furlongs to the ½ mile beacon to the last quarter lower were covered in 23.4/5 seconds which was an extremely wonderful performance. Courting Eve was many lengths ahead of Double Finesse when coming round the bend, but it was never realised that the latter could snatch a victory. It was impossible to figure at what pace she was travelling, but Double Finesse (Mr. S. C. Liang up) came on the outside with a terrific burst of speed that surprised me. She ran her race out and just got up in the last stride and won on the post by a short head. It was a very close shave and a remarkable performance by Double Finesse and Courting Eve (both daughters by Double Court) and the whole tour was covered in 1:01.2/5,



A composite picture of the Second Extra Race Meeting held at Happy Valley last Saturday. The Chief Justice, His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, is seen at the lower extreme left chatting to a friend. (Made by G. H. Blok).

MACAO MEET ON SUNDAY

Special Sweep On Glory Handicap

(By "Captain Foster")

The April Race Meeting under the auspices of the Macao Jockey Club will be held at Arca Preta on Sunday when an attractive programme of six events will be contested, including a Ladies' sprint over half-a-mile.

The s.s. Kinsham will leave her pier at 9.30 a.m., returning at 7 p.m. instead of the usual 6 o'clock. The extra hour will give excursionists an opportunity of sight-seeing in the oldest Portuguese colony.

A special dollar cash sweep is being conducted on the main event, the Glory Handicap, over five furlongs and it is learned that the first prize is worth winning.

Shanghai 4, the pride of Macao, has been barred from the main event and this has necessitated the grey gelding to battle against Happy Valley runners. Shanghai 4 is up against Stymlie and Wenning and I am sure we shall see a good race.

My selections are as follows:

HANKOW HANDICAP

Shih Yin Grand
Merry Maker
Gold Clause

HANYANG PLATE

Stymlie
Wenning
Shanghai 4

WUCHANG HANDICAP

Election Time
Gold Coin
Good Morning

GLORY HANDICAP

Victory Life
Hornman
Fairy Auk

CHANGSHA PLATE

Mongolian Cat
National Triumph
Cloudy Star

the time being a second slower than the track record held by another progeny—Derby Day—of the same sire. However, it was rather unusual to see Mr. Proulx getting a bad send-off and that of course counted for Lancashire Chips coming in third. Home Brew was badly left at the post.

BRUTUS DRAWS A GOOD POSITION

And Wins St. Kilda Handicap

Some jockeys may disagree, but I have good reason to believe that the best draw for positions in a sprint from the 1½ mile post is from the third berth to the sixth from the rails. This was proved in the St. Kilda Handicap when Brutus, the winner, drew the third position, but Twilight Star (second pony) was on the outside and Discovery Bay, who was third, had the fourth station. However Discovery Bay was leading

"A. Abbit" Confined To His Bed

Readers will regret to learn that "A. Abbit" is confined to bed by his doctor's orders, and for this reason his Friday article is not appearing to-day. He hopes, however, to be able to do an account of the I.R.C. v. C.C.C. replay.

Crowley Deserves Title Fight

London, March 4.

Dave Crowley, of Clerkenwell, settled a long-standing question of superiority last night at the Albert Hall when he beat Harry Mizler, former lightweight champion, on points. This fight was the final eliminating contest of a dreadfully long series, and Crowley now has the right to meet Jimmy Walsh, of Chester, the present lightweight champion, for the title.

Crowley won very easily. Mizler never looked dangerous and always outboxed, so that when he failed to show any sign of liveliness after the sixth round—the halfway stage—the affair was just a monotonous succession of rounds.

It was expected to be a thriller, with so much at stake, and considerable rivalry between the camps. But it failed at any time to get past the stage of being technically interesting.

Speed was the governing factor. Crowley had it. He was much faster on his feet and with his hands, and he was much keener with his will. Mizler's left hand was used timidly, and the devastating right was strictly defensive. Crowley was his master in tactics, from start to finish, and this was the best feature of his boxing.

But Crowley never had a damaging punch, and Mizler, after 12 rounds of being rushed from rope to rope, overwhelmed by blows from all angles, left the ring a little out of breath and with his nose bleeding slightly. Crowley looked as if he could have fought another 12.

the pack, but petered out when hearing the distance and rallied again to finish third.

SWATOW HANDICAP

Valorous, piloted by Mr. C. L. Gregory, won the Swatow Handicap without any trouble, and the jockey must be complimented for the manner in which he nursed his mount. Mr. Gregory rode Valorous from the back and the pony had a few pounds to spare at the finish.

GOLDEN COW SUCCEEDS

The second leg of the daily double did not provide any upset and the top weightier, Golden Cow, after having a sequence of four seconds, presented his trump card to the judges to claim his first win in the Komunum Handicap, completing Mr. S. C. Liang's third successive outing for a "hat trick."

PROGRESS MADE IN COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

S. A. RUMJAHN & W. C. HUNG ENTER QUARTER-FINALS

(By "Abe")

The most noticeable feature in the two singles matches played in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hongkong C.C. yesterday was the weakness of service in almost every case. The only exception, perhaps, was W. C. Hung, and even he was not as reliable as he might have been in this regard.

Presiding at last year's annual general meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, His Honour Mr. Justice Lindsell gave sound advice to local players when he asked them to develop their services into an attacking phase of their game. No appreciable improvement has been seen during the past year, and I am afraid Mr. Lindsell's advice has passed unheeded.

To go back to yesterday's matches, S. A. Rumjahn, a former champion, entered the last eight by eliminating Leong Ping-chiu, a very tenacious player. In straight sets, Rumjahn started off well and following up a lead of 3-1, he annexed the first set with the loss of only two games. Leong settled down in the second set and gave the Indian a better fight. Nevertheless he could not disguise a perceptible weakness in his backhand, which let him down on numerous occasions, and though his forehand was in good working order and often scored outright winners, he did not obtain many opportunities of exploiting it. Rumjahn saw to that, trying his opponent with deep drives, mixed with a few well-judged sorties to the net, the former champion eventually wore down Leong's resistance.

PECULIAR MATCH

The other match of the afternoon was peculiar. In many respects, neither W. C. Hung nor I. M. A. Razack was able to appear at his best, and because he made fewer mistakes than his opponent and because his shots carried a little more punch with them the former won, thus getting into the quarter-finals.

This was Hung's third match in three days. After the hard fight he had had the day before, he had some excuse if his game fell short of its usual standard. But the I.R.C. entry was strangely tentative in every shot which he made. His lack of confidence was apparent right from the start when, as a result of his erratic stroking, Hung jumped into a lead of 4-0. The Chinese player himself was not playing his usual game, and just when it appeared that an easy first set for him was in the offing, he began to mess up some easy smashes and volleys. Thus encouraged, Razack caught up slowly and actually took the lead at 3-4. But it was not to be, and Hung eventually won out at 6-0.

Playing a steadier game in the second set, Hung won as he liked with the loss of only one game. By keeping the rallies alive, he went to his points confidently.

It was not a match worthy of two such usually fine exponents of the game.

Undergraduates Clash With Recreio

In the second game of the triangular play-off series of the Badminton League, the Club de Recreio will meet the University at the Taikoo R.C. this evening at 8 p.m. University beat the Chinese "Y" on Wednesday and need only to beat the Portuguese to-night to be assured of the championship.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

An interesting doubles match will be played this afternoon when I. V. Leonard and George Choa clash with Paul Kong and Lee Wai-tong in the quarter-finals.

The encounter promises to be more than ordinarily interesting as Kong and Lee, an extremely steady combination, will be tested by a young enthusiastic pair.



I. M. A. Razack (left) and W. C. Hung (right) engaged in play in their third-round singles match in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hongkong C.C. yesterday. (Photo: Star Photographer).

CLOSE TUSSLE EXPECTED

Boat Race Crews All Set For Annual Classic

London, Mar. 31.

The annual Boat Race will be rowed as usual on the course between Putney and Mortlake and will commence at 2 p.m. G.M.T. on Saturday, April 2.

It is expected to be one of the closest races in years and is likely to be a heavy tussle. Much will depend on the weather and the loss, but the Dark Blues who were early favourites and then outsiders, have now returned as slight favourites as a result of beating, in a trial row, the Cambridge reserve crew which recently won the Head Office race.

The Oxford crew is one of the heaviest ever to take part in the series, and is possibly too heavy even though it has reduced its weight by an average of four pounds per man. Still, a thick stone average will be of great assistance in a head-wind and rough weather.

Although they have the nucleus of last year's crew, the same stroke and cox, and though they will be rowing the same boat, the present crew is not regarded as in the same class as the 1937 team.

The Light Blues are lighter, neater and faster and will keep their own better in a long row if the conditions are good.

OXFORD

	St.	lb.
*J. L. Garton (Eton, Magdalen), bow	11	12
2. H. M. Young (Westminster, Trinity)	12	12½
*3. R. R. Stewart (Eton, Magdalen)	12	13
4. H. A. W. Forbes (St. Paul's, Magdalen)	13	2
*5. J. P. Burroughs (St. Edward's, St. Edmund H.)	13	7
6. F. A. L. Waldron (Shrewsbury, Trinity)	13	10
*7. J. C. Cherry (Westminster, B.N.C.)	13	13
*A. B. Hodgson (Eton, Oxford), stroke	12	0
*G. J. P. Morfield (King Edward VI, St. Edmund H.) cox	8	1

CAMBRIDGE

	St.	lb.
*B. T. Coulton (Dulwich, Jesus) bow	11	0
2. A. M. Turner (Cranleigh, Corpus)	11	12
*3. A. Burroughs (St. Paul's, Jesus)	12	8
*4. T. B. Langton (Radley, Jesus)	13	9
5. J. L. E. Savill (Radley, Jesus)	13	0
6. G. G. Keppel (Princeton, Trinity Hall)	13	7
7. A. Campbell (Barrow, Selwyn)	12	14
*D. S. M. Endie (Oxford, First Trinity), stroke	12	3
*T. H. Hunter (Harvard, Trinity Hall) cox	8	5½

—Routier.

LADIES' HOCKEY

"Rest" Seniors Beat Junior Eleven

In their practice game on the Y.M.C.A. ground at King's Park last evening, the "Rest" senior team defeated the "Rest" juniors by two goals to nil. Both goals were scored by Mrs. M. White in the second half.

Miss J. Hall, in goal for the juniors, gave a sparkling display. Others to distinguish themselves in the junior team were Miss E. Watson and Mrs. Gunby. Senior players who scored were Mrs. White, Miss G. White, Miss B. Parsons and Miss F. Best.

MIDDLESEX BECOME CHAMPIONS

Final Of Army Cricket Championship

The Middlesex became cricket champions of the Army yesterday when in the inter-unit tournament, they defeated the Engineers by an innings and 34 at the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Engineers could add only 47 to their overnight score of three for 17. Hatfield returned to form and completed the Engineers' rout by taking five for 28 runs.

Scores:

ROYAL ENGINEERS
First Innings

Sgt. Daniels, c Northcott b Chiversall	27
Sgt. Carpenter, c Man b Hatfield	23
Sgt. Goodyear, b Coombes	2
Sgt. Hatfield, c Chiversall b Coombes	2
Sgt. Denyer, b Chiversall	0
Cpl. Tudor, b Chiversall	0
Lt. Barron, b Painter	0
Sgt. Guinness, b Painter	0
C.M.A. Eaton, not out	0
Sgt. Dawson, c Jones b Chiversall	0
Sgt. Bradford, st Man b Painter	10
L. Cpl. Extras	0
Total	60

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hatfield	10	3	27	5
Coombes	12	1	20	4
Chiversall	35	-	8	0
Painter	10	1	0	0
Howled one no ball				

MIDDLESEX
First Innings

Lt. Man, c Daniels b Bradford	0
Cpl. M. Northcott, b Bradford	0
Lt. Weedon, c Barrow b Bradford	41
Lt. Chiversall, b Barron	0
Lt. Beadnell, c Guinness b Hatfield	0
Sgt. Painter, b Denyer	20
Sgt. Jones, b Bradford	0
Major Newbham, b Bradford	0
Pte. Coombes, b Bradford	1
Pte. Hatfield, c Daniels b Barron	1
Lt. Paul not out	0
Extras	0
Total	62

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Barron	10	1	38	0
Bradford	11	1	19	3
Goodyear	12	-	57	1
Denyer	3	-	13	1
Paul	3	-	1	1
Hatfield	1	-	0	0

ROYAL ENGINEERS
Second Innings

Sgt. Daniels, c Northcott b Hatfield	2
Sgt. Carpenter, c Northcott b Coombes	2
Sgt. Goodyear, b Coombes	10
Sgt. Hatfield, c Chiversall b Hatfield	10
Sgt. Denyer, b Hatfield	10
Cpl. Tudor, c Beadnell b Hatfield	0
C.M.A. Eaton, b.w. b Hatfield	0
Sgt. Guinness, b.w. b Hatfield	0
Lt. Barron, c Man b Coombes	0
Sgt. Dawson, b Painter	0
Sgt. Bradford, not out	0
L. Cpl. Extras	0
Total	52

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hatfield	15	1	23	1
Coombes	15	1	31	1
Painter	1	-	0	0
Howled one no ball				

TEN WICKETS VICTORY
Diocesan Boys' School Easily Defeat Queen's College

Diocesan Boys' School beat Queen's College by 10 wickets on Wednesday. Queen's batted first and after K. M. Rumman, their best batsman, and Ho Hoi-hoi had been bowled by Cray in the first over, a collapse could not be stopped, and they were all out for 20.

Scores:

Queen's 20 (N. Singh 11, T. Singh 12, Cray 3-14, Fletcher 0-11, and 4-7 (K. Rumman 31 not out, G. Kew 5-14).

Diocesan Boys 130-4 (D. Cray 61 retired, A. J. M. Fain 23 retired, J. J. Lay 10 retired, D. Hutchinson 15 retired, Curran 2-0).

KOWLOON TEAM
The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club against the Middlesex to-morrow at Kowloon—

F. Goodwin (Capt.), D. J. N. Anderson, K. M. Baxter, G. C. Burnett, E. C. Fincher, S. Jex, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, T. A. Madar, W. L. McKenzie, C. B. R. Sargent, Reserve, R. T. Broadbridge, Umpire, J. P. Robinson.

SPORT ADVTS.
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The April Racing Meeting will be held at Arca Preta, Macao, on Sunday, 3rd April, 1938, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

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The finals of the Garrison annual athletic sports will be held on the Polo ground, Boundary Street, Kowloon, on Thursday, April 14, at 3 p.m.

SPLENDID BOXING WITNESSED

Spencer Defeats Gnr. Franklyn

Keen as was the boxing in the preliminary rounds and semi-finals of the Novices Individual Championships, that of the finals at Murray Barracks last night surpassed all anticipations. The gallant rally of Sapper Spencer (R. E.) and his ultimate victory over the redoubtable Gnr. Franklyn (5th A. A. Bde.) was one of the main features of the evening. As he distinguished himself on the previous nights with his skill, he added further to his laurels by a dogged display of courage.

Courage, however, was more than shared by Bdr. Page (5th A. A. Bde.) who lost on a technical knockout to Lieut. J. M. Calvert (R. E.) in an exhibition bout. Calvert, who is a boxer of no mean repute, having represented Cambridge and the Army Officers, among others, administered punishment with both hands, and Page, a novice, staggered through the rounds on sheer grit. Three in the last round he sank to the canvas dazed and exhausted, and it was only as he rose for the third time to face the barrage once more that the referee intervened.

Five championship events were interspersed with five exhibition bouts. At the conclusion of the fights, His Excellency, Major General A. W. Bartholomew, the General Officer Commanding, distributed the prizes.

The first of the championships was the bantamweight final which Pte. Williams (M'x) knocked out Pte. Toogood (R. Scots) in the first round. It was a blow on the temple rather than the subsequent one to the jaw which laid Toogood low. He was unconscious for a considerable time and was carried from the ring in the same condition.

The featherweight final was won by Pte. Craig (R. Scots) on points from Sigm. Kitcher (R. C. of Sigs.). Kitcher was floored twice in the second round, the second time being the decisive blow, he lost many points in the final round.

An exhibition 11-11½ lb. contest between L/Cpl. Ellis (M'x) and Cpl. Elliot (R. Scots) was won by the former. Elliot opened on the aggressive, but left openings which cost him many points. Both used their left well.

The lightweight final saw Pte. Chalkfield (M'x) knock out Pte. Challen (M'x) in the third round. Chalkfield with his longer reach and bigger build seemed like Goliath, Challen, wisely avoided close quarters for the first two rounds, but was cornered in the third and took the count.

Pte. McRae (R. Scots) won the welterweight championship on a walk-over from Pte. McGreedy (R. Scots) who was prevented from appearing by medical orders.

A middleweight exhibition between L. Cpl. Page (R. Scots) and Pte. Emmerson (R. Scots) was awarded to Emmerson. Peebles missed his chance in the second round when after landing a short right on Emmerson's solar plexus, he failed to follow up. Sparring allowed Emmerson to recover.

Popular Decision

The most popular points decision of the evening was the victory of Sapper Spencer over Gnr. Franklyn. Franklyn opened the bout with the obvious intention of repeating his previous performances. Spencer was in bad shape at the end of the round. The second round was a repetition of the first, Spencer taking a count of eight or nine. His slight lead was held and the ender Franklyn off, finished a good round. The third round was electrifying. Spencer came out refreshed and immediately found Franklyn's jaw with a nasty right hook. He continued in his remarkable recovery and twice nearly had Franklyn down. He finished the bout in much finer condition than Franklyn.

Courage Supreme

Then came the second exhibition of courage. Bdr. Page opposed to Lieut. Calvert. Towards the end of the first round, and throughout the remaining two, Page did everything but lie down. The punishment he took did not deter him from weak efforts at retaliation. He gained the support of the spectators in the third round with his determination to finish the fight standing. Hardly able to remain a set he was battered around the ring and twice sank through exhaustion. The third time down was his last. The referee stopped the fight.

Pte. Fookes (M'x) won the lightweight from Sg. Bedford (R.C. of Sigs.) on points, and in the next fight, an exhibition, Pte. Sharkey (R. Scots) knocked out Pte. Parnaby (R. Scots) in the first round.

The final fight of the evening, an exhibition welterweight between Pte. Thomson and Pte. McGrady, was clever and fast. Both were obviously familiar to the ring and fought splendidly to conclude the programme.

Pte. Izzard (M'x) won the heavyweight championship on a walk-over.



Ronald Colman in "Lost Horizon," one of the best pictures of the year, returning to the King's Theatre on Sunday.

GOLF PROFESSIONALS IN KUALA LUMPUR

Fine Exhibition By Hagen And Kirkwood

Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 21. Hagen and Kirkwood gave a fine exhibition of golf to beat Verity, the Club professional, and W. H. Elkins, in a four-ball match at the Selangor Golf Club this morning. Hagen was especially brilliant and accurate. The match was won 3 and 2 at the fifteenth.

The only weak player of the four was the local professional, but he brought rounds of applause with some beautiful shots and was responsible for the only hole won by the local pair.

Hagen, though recovering from illness, played beautiful long shots from the tees, played accurate seconds and sank putts from all distances on the greens.

Elkins played his usual sound game, but found the deadliness of Hagen's putting equal to the occasion whenever the Malaysian champion looked like winning holes.

Of the two occasions Elkins sank his putts from 20 yards, but found Hagen always at his best under pressure and, following the local champion's example, putting these down for halves.

VISITORS WELL HELD

The visiting pair were two up after the first four holes, but from then on were well held by Elkins' accuracy in approach and on the greens until after the turn. At the eleventh hole the visitors were three up. At the next hole Elkins sank his putt from the edge of the green for a birdie, but Hagen was equal to the occasion and halved the hole with a twelve footer.

Kirkwood won the next hole with a fine golf after Elkins had picked up after being bunkered and going through the green.

The hole was won by Verity, who sank a long putt, but the match was over when he missed a shorter putt at the sixteenth, after being in a winning position.

KNOCK-OUT HABIT

Henry Armstrong Appears In Benefit Bout

New York, Mar. 30. In a ten-round benefit bout for the late boxing judge, Charles Lynch, Henry Armstrong, 133 lbs., knocked out Lew Feldman, 134 lbs., of Brooklyn, in the fifth round.

Armstrong's showing was unexpectedly poor, and although he floored Feldman twice before knocking him out, his form was far below usual. It gave rise to speculation that he would have difficulty in coping with Barney Ross when they meet in May.

This was Armstrong's thirty-fifth knock-out in thirty-seven fights, while Feldman was down for the count for the first time in nearly a decade of fighting.—United Press.

CORRESPONDENT TRAVELS WITH AMBASSADOR

Mr. Malcolm McDonald, London Times correspondent, arrived here from Shanghai by the Nippon Mail and will travel in Canton and Hankow with the Ambassador, Mr. McArthur, who is on his way to the north. Mr. McDonald was formerly a Hongkong newspaperman.

Also on board was Mr. Arthur

Farewell Match Of Corinthians

Joined With Club Beat Navy-South China

Caroline Hill was the venue of an interesting soccer game yesterday when a side from South China and Navy clubs opposed a combined Islington Corinthian-Club team for charities.

It was not a perfect game, and left a good deal to be desired in the way of thrills, but it was not entirely devoid of interest. The Corinthian-Club combination proved superior, with a sound and workmanlike defence and a penetrative, fast moving set of forwards, and though they scored once in each half, they obtained just reward.

The losers were not so far behind, but failed to get working as smoothly and their attacks were easily broken up. They had several good chances and might easily have saved the game, as it was not until five minutes before the whistle that Blackford scored the second goal, but Lai Shul-wing and Beta each missed when perfectly placed with only the keeper to beat.

Pepper gave a sound performance between the sticks and made several good saves. Mak Sul-hon and Barrington provided him with adequate cover, the Navy player impressing with a number of stylish clearances. Tang Kwong-sum and Lau King-choi played well up to their usual form, and other successes were Sutherland, Cheung Moon-wing and Blain, who jumped right into the picture with a real hard-working display.

In the Corinthian-Club side, all five of the Tourists who took part were full of action, dance being outstanding clever at wing-half. The local players blended with them in a surprisingly high degree of attainment, the Corinthians tactics appearing to bring out the best in them. Blackford soon tumbled to their requirements and was responsible for much clever work in partnership with Miller. Fowler went near with one or two efforts, but was wild and erratic on most occasions. The halves were the key to the side, Dance's sound play being only a shade ahead of that of Forrow and Brittain. Forrow demonstrated that he has lost nothing by his prolonged absence from the game and the Police player accomplished clever work with his head. Syd. Strange and Manning made a solid rearguard and Longman handled with confidence.

The first goal arrived after 35 minutes and was the result of a faulty kick pass by Barrington when he attempted to put Pepper in possession. Miller was quick to nip in and seize on the ball. As the spectators were leaving in the closing minutes, Blackford concluded the scoring with a splendidly taken goal. He accepted a neat pass from Fowler when lying unmarked to the left of the goal and registered with a fierce drive from deep.

Corinthian-Club—Longman, Manning, Strange, Dance, Forrow, Brittain, Barrington, Miller, Blackford, South China-Navy—Pepper, Barrington, Mak Sul-hon, Blain, Lau King-choi, Tang Kwong-sum, Sutherland, Beta, Lai Shul-wing, Cheung Moon-wing.

JUNIOR SHIELD GAME

Injuries Beat Navy In Semi-final Ordinance Win

Navy was most unlucky to lose to Ordinance by two clear goals in the replayed Junior Shield semi-final yesterday. Five minutes after the kick-off it lost Anderson, through an injury, and on the start of the extra-time took the field with only nine men owing to an injury to Love.

Typical cup-tie football was displayed by both sides; many well constructed movements by the Navy forwards in the first half came to naught owing to erratic shooting when near goal and in the second half when on top Ordinance was also guilty.

The man of the match was Regier who gave a brilliant display at full-back. Hill brought off many fine saves and Laister worked hard and had Martin completely bottled-up. Lacking the services of Anderson the Navy's forward line was thrown completely out of gear but Stone was responsible for a number of brilliant solo efforts.

Ordinance was well served in every department. In the defence Vaugnoux played a rare stopping game and worked unflinchingly. Rides was prominent among the half-backs and tested Hill with a number of rasping drives. In the forwards Embersson and Duffield displayed good combination and Munton was a very thrustful leader. Lang was a very formidable opponent as Regier, put in a number of dangerous centres.

Navy was easily superior in the first half but on the resumption the strain of playing with only 10 men was more than noticeable and the longer the game proceeded the more Ordinance gradually began to get the upper hand. However the soldiers were unable to press home their advantage before 90 minutes and extra-time had to be played. During this period Ordinance was definitely on top and it came as no surprise when Munton netted after nine minutes. On the change-over Ordinance continued to keep on top and in the third half through the half Duffield increased the lead with a brilliant shot from 25 yards.

Navy—Hill, Letherbridge, Regier, Laister, Hill, Love, Stone, Wolf, Anderson, Tipple, Forrow.

Ordinance—Munton, Humphries, Vaugnoux, Rides, Atto, Fisher, Col, Lang, Embersson, Munton, Duffield, Martin.

AMERICAN TOURNAMENT

All courts at the Ladies Recreation Club will be reserved for an American Tournament on Sunday at 11 a.m.

Meiken, Paramount, Newsreel, Paramount who has spent the past few months in China covering hostilities in the north. Mr. Meiken will fly from Hongkong to England on a vacation.

OLD COURSE

9.12 W. J. Key, A. Nicol.
9.10 M. Henderson, R. W. Roberts.
9.20 O. E. C. Martin, D. S. Robb.
9.24 A. V. Greaves, W. G. Robertson.
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9.24 T. A. Pearce, P. H. Scoville.
9.24 J. H. Leckie, J. H. M. Andrew.
9.24 A. Murdoch, E. Davidson.
9.44 J. K. Bonfield, H. L. G. Smith.
9.40 W. Wooding, J. R. Slinger.
9.51 G. W. Ward, H. E. Pethick.
9.50 R. Young, I. H. Geare.
10.00 J. B. Harrison, M. Kirby.
10.01 W. Reid, A. M. Kirby.
10.00 W. H. Way, K. N. Quick.
10.10 A. Sommerfeld, J. H. Collis.
10.10 S. C. Feltham, W. W. C. Shewan.
10.20 J. H. Stewart, A. A. Thompson.
10.24 K. S. Morrison, D. J. Gilmore.
10.20 G. S. Archbutt, H. S. Hill.
10.24 W. J. Mackenzie, H. Davis.
10.40 H. W. Williamson, R. H. Davis.
10.44 G. L. Goldmann, J. S. Dunnet.
10.44 A. D. Thompson, Col. Austin.
10.22 P. H. Havens, J. H. McKie.
11.00 E. T. McMullen, D. W. MacKenzie.
11.01 L. R. Lewis, C. A. King.
11.03 A. B. H. Worth, A. T. Lay.

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9.00 T. F. Pearce, L. C. F. Bellamy.
9.24 J. W. Platt, R. Sanger.
9.22 E. Leckie, J. A. Shaw.
9.24 G. M. Roberts, J. W. Mayhew.
9.44 G. M. Park, W. H. Hewitt.
9.44 W. Leckie, J. L. Rush.
9.44 C. H. W. Lee, R. M. Held.
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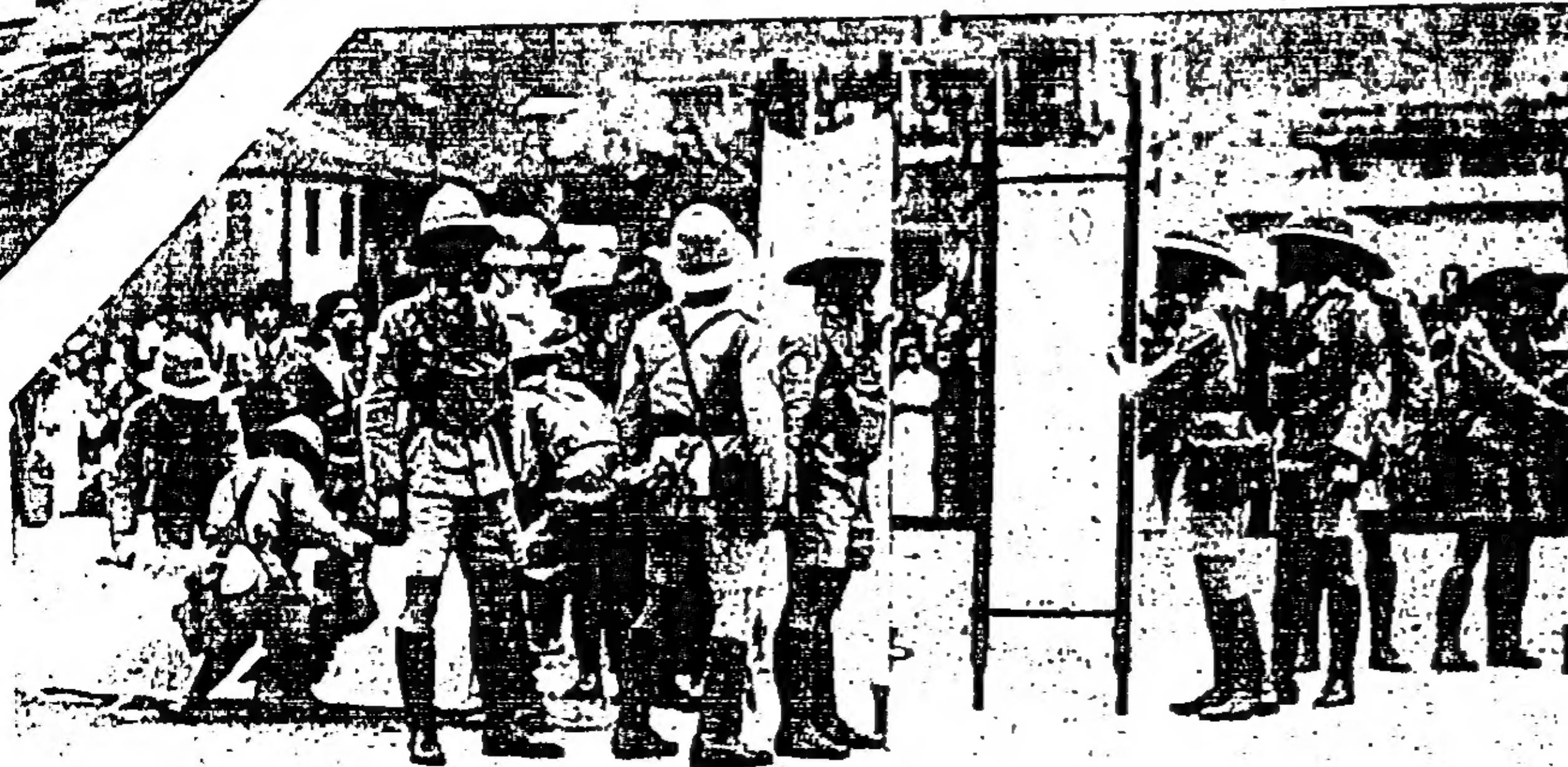
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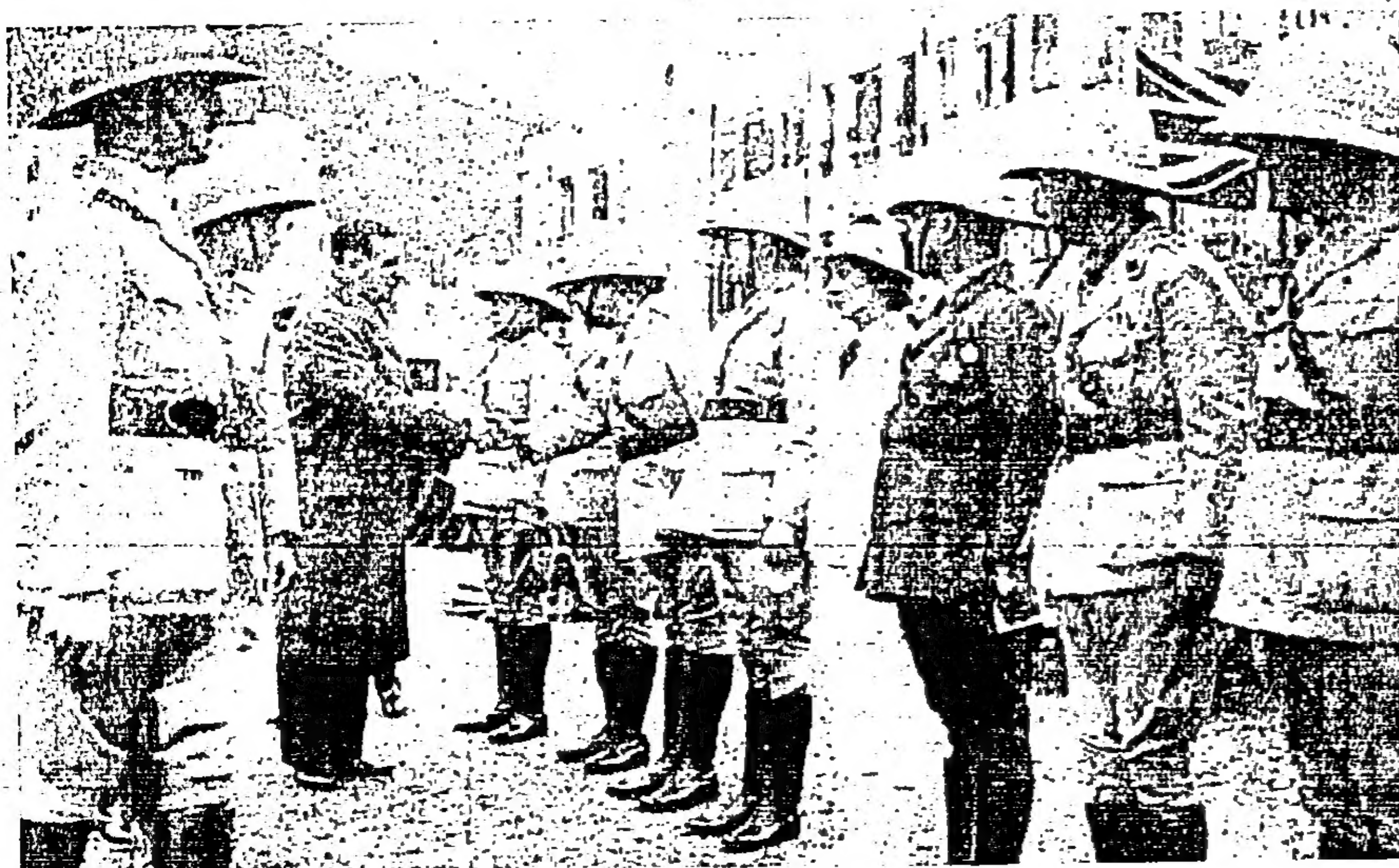
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STRETCHER UNITS, protected with gas masks, preparing an improvised de-contamination station for "gassed" casualties at the annual inspection by His Excellency the Governor. — (Photo: Staff Photographer).



"YOU DON'T SAY!" A friendly little gossip between two rubber encased and gas masked members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Decontamination Squad, during the annual inspection on Monday. — (Photo: Staff Photographer).



OFFICERS AND SURGEONS of St. John Ambulance Brigade, with whom His Excellency the Governor chatted during the Annual Inspection on Monday. — (Photo: Moe Cheung).



SURG. LIEUT.-CMDR. S. J. WHEELER R. N. and his charming bride, formerly Miss Daphne Fullbrook, who were married at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday last. — (Photo: Staff Photographer).

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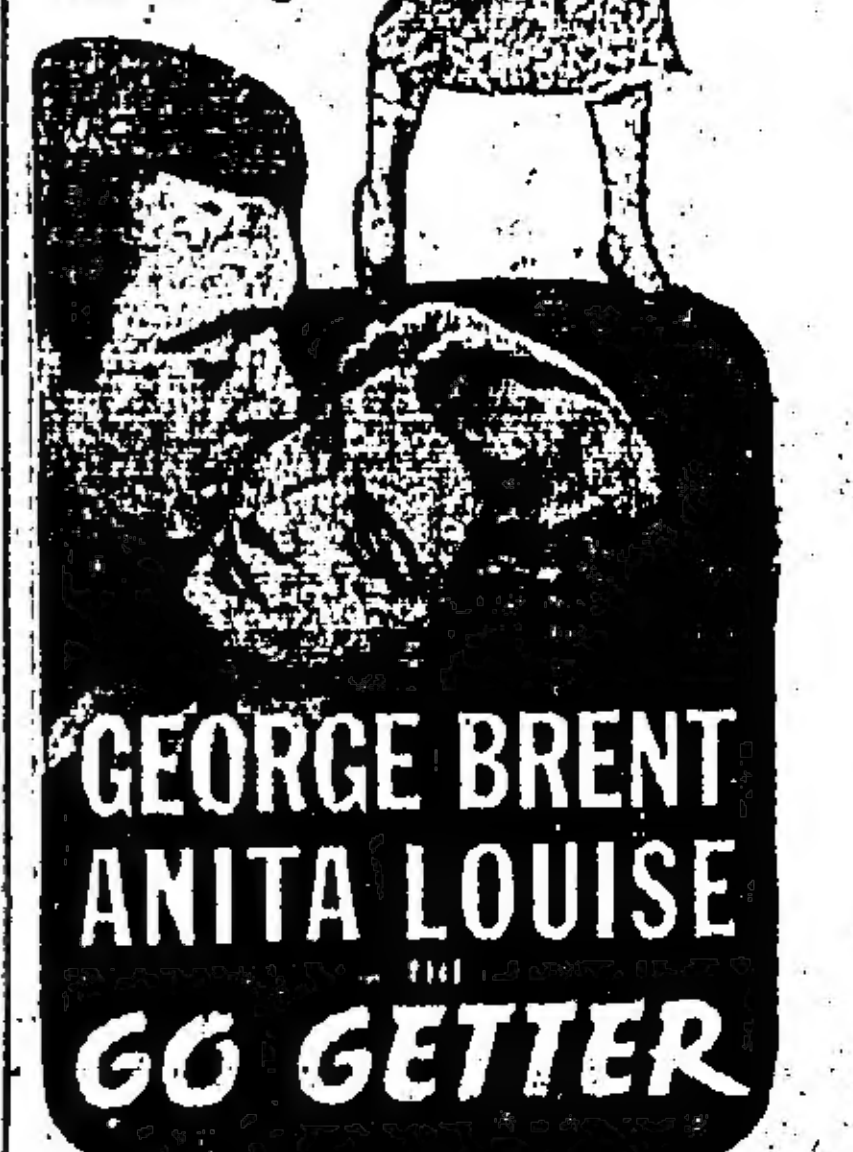
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Extraordinary precautions have been taken by both Chinese and Japanese authorities to ensure the safety of the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, on his trip to Chungking, where he will present his credentials to the Chinese Government on Monday next.

The complete itinerary of the Ambassador's trip, from the time he boards H.M.S. Tarantula at 11 o'clock this morning for Canton, until his arrival in Chungking by special plane, has been notified to the Japanese Government.

The Japanese Government in turn, has notified its naval and air forces operating in South China of the Ambassador's itinerary.

The Ambassador arrived in Hongkong from Shanghai at 7 a.m. to-day by the P. and O. liner Malabar, and was saluted by Blackhead Fort.

It is understood that he conferred at length before his departure in H.M.S. Tarantula with His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and with the Commander in Chief, Sir Percy Noble.

When Sir Archibald embarks in Tarantula the gunboat will break the Ambassador's flag, which will be saluted by H.M.S. Cumberland with 10 guns.



Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr

Ambassador To China In Hongkong

Leaves For Canton By Gunboat This Morning

The British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, arrived in Hongkong this morning from Shanghai aboard the P. and O. liner Malabar. Sir Archibald, accompanied by Lady Clark Kerr and his staff, will sail at 11.30 for Canton on the river gunboat H.M.S. Tarantula.

Having suffered from a severe cold during the past week, and considering the present part of his voyage is in the nature of a holiday, the Ambassador excused himself from interviews this morning, particularly as he will have a very busy day.

During the morning Sir Archibald is visiting Government House where he will meet Mr. E. the Governor and Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, C.-in-C., who is sailing shortly after in H.M.S. Cumberland for Shanghai.

After holding an "At Home" at the British Consulate at Canton on Saturday afternoon, the Ambassador will leave by train for Hankow on Saturday evening and expects to arrive in Hankow on the morning of April 5. On April 6 he will proceed to Chungking and after a stay of four or five days will return to Hongkong, via Hankow. He will probably come by air and expects to arrive about April 20. After a few days in Hongkong he will return to Shanghai.

Accompanying Sir Archibald and Lady Clark Kerr are Mr. W. G. Graham, Private Secretary, Mr. W. A. Auch, third Secretary to the Embassy, Colonel W. A. Lovell-Fraser, Military Attaché, Wing Commander Kreby, Air Attaché, Commander Overesch, American Military Attaché and Colonel Sabattier, French Military Attaché.

STOP PRESS NEWS

TORNADOES' DEATH ROLL IS MOUNTING

28 Lives Lost In Five States

San Francisco, Mar. 31. It is reported that relief agencies have been mobilised in five States stricken by tornadoes, which killed 28 people.

Governor Huxman has assumed personal charge in Columbus, Ohio and Kansas where seven are reported dead, and at least 100 injured.

Governor Horner has placed the Illinois National Guard and State police at the disposal of 18 stricken towns.

The little railway town of South Pekin is in ruins. Six are reported to have been killed, and over 60 injured.—United Press.

34 Reported Dead

San Francisco, Mar. 31. Relief workers have been mobilised in the States hit by the tornadoes.

It is now estimated that 34 are dead as a result of the hurricanes, and that damage is unofficially stated to be between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000.—United Press.

CORPORAL'S CLUB DANCE

The Corporals' Club of the Royal Army Medical Corps will hold its first grand carnival dance at Hotel Cecil, on Saturday, April 2, from 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m. There will be novelty dances with prizes and Jimmy and His Boys from H.M.S. Suffolk will provide the music.

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